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PART 137-PRACTICE

PROCEDURE IN THE LAND REGIONS

137.51 <u>Discontinuance of transmittal in certain cases of reports to the Washington office.</u>

On March 11, 1947, the Regional Administrators were advised as follows:

"It is contemplated that all pending applications to lease or to renew existing leases now in this office will be returned to field offices no later than April 1, 1947. Delegation of authority to act, letter of instructions, and amended regulations will be issued prior to that date.

"In view of this, immediately upon receipt of this memorandum acting managers of district land offices will discontinue forwarding new, amended, or renewals for section 15 lease applications to this office. Cases in the hands of regional field examiners for investigation and report should be held by them pending receipt of instructions as to their final disposition.

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"Pending receipt of amended regulations, new applications should continue to be filed and recorded in district land offices. The regional administrator should utilize the services of the district graziers, regional field examiners, or other available services to process the applications to a decision. All decisions should be noted on the records of the district land offices, who should be responsible for collection of all rentals."

On April 1, 1947, the Regional Administrators were advised as follows:

"It has been determined, after careful study, that certain types of land cases may be transferred from the Washington office to the field and handled by Regional Administrators without waiting for issuance of revised

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regulations or formalities other than delegation of authority. Accordingly, the following instructions are effective immediately upon receipt of this memorandum.

"Managers of district land offices will discontinue forwarding to the headquarters office in Washington the following types of applications and reports in connection therewith, and subject to the issuance of necessary delegation of authority such cases will hereafter be adjudicated in the regions.

Alaska Fur Farms Mineral Spring Leases Cemeteries All timber sales, including Alaska, not in excess of 15 million board feet

Alaska Grazing Leases Alaska Mission Sites Alaska Homestead and Headquarter Sites Alaska Trade and Manufacturing Sites Alaska Shore Space Reservations.

.. "The Branch of Adjudication will immediately examine all cases of the above types now pending in the Washington office, adjudicate those upon which all work necessary to support adjudication has already been accomplished, returning all others to the region involved for processing. Such cases will be returned and accompanying schedules with one copy to the Regional Administrators. Division "D" will show the return of all cases to the district land offices by appropriate notation on the docket record.

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Commencing on June 15, 1947, the Managers will also discontinue sending to the Washington office the classes of matters described

Classes of entries

Applicable Regulations

Alaska homestead

43 CFR. Parts 65 and 66.

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43 CFR. Parts 116 to 170, inclusive.

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DISTRICT LAND OFFICE PROCEDURE

The following section is added to Part 137:

137.201 All participants in drawings for public lands to be given prompt notice of results. Whenever a drawing is held in a district land office pursuant to 43 GFR 191.10, 192.43, 295.8, or any other regulation, for the purpose of determining the right of priority of filing as between different applicants for lands under the public land laws, all persons whose applications are filed must be advised promptly by the managers of the results. Steps looking to the return of the moneys paid by the unsuccessful applicants will be taken by the managers as soon as possible after it has been determined that such applicants can not be accorded any rights under their applications.

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The following section is added to Part 168:

168.01 Use of "Accounting Advice" form in lieu of case records by certain divisions; routing of returns in the Washington Office; handling of related correspondence. In order to facilitate prompt action in the issuance, adjustment and booking of leases, permits, and entries, the Branch of Adjudication and the Mail and Files Division will, effective October 1, 1947, discontinue referring applications, new leases, permits, entries or the case files to the Accounts Division unless specifically routed by the Branch of Adjudication. In lieu thereof Form No. 4-112, Accounting Advice, will be prepared in triplicate by the adjudicator who will show thereon the pertinent information necessary to establish a new account or to effect adjustment of one previously established. The original accounting advice will be sent to the Budget and Finance Division, Room 5554, the duplicate will be filed in the case file, and the triplicate will be sent to the Research and Analysis Division for use in maintaining statistical records.

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The Accounts Section will use the original form as a posting media to establish new accounts and/or to adjust accounts previously established.

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DISTRICT LAND OFFICE PROCEDURE

SERIAL NUMBERS AND SERIAL NUMBER NOTATIONS

The last paragraph of section 168.35, is amended to read

as follows:

Where an assignment is filed for a part of the area described in the lease, the manager before forwarding the papers to the Bureau of Land Management will give the partial assignment a new serial number. Reference will be made on the serial number register in the district land office under the original lease number to the number to be given to a partial assignment and under the assignment number to the original lease number.

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PART 27 -- CITIZENSHIP

The following text is added to Part 27:

VERIFICATION OF CITIZENSHIP STATUS

27.10 Showing by naturalized citisen. The verification of the citizenship status of a naturalized citizen provided for in the regulations (43 CFR 137.2) will be secured by writing to the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Franklin Trust Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, using Form 4-439, for that purpose.

27.11 Showing by native born citizen. Where an applicant states in his application, or in connection therewith, that he is a native born citizen of the United States, such a showing will be deemed sufficient without need for verification or supporting evidence unless some reason for doubt exists as to his true citizenship status.

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WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Section 137.1 is amended to read as follows:

Section 137.1 Cases to be acted upon in regular order; when cases will be made special. All cases pending in the Bureau of Land Management, except those made "special" as provided in this section, will be acted upon in regular order.

Cases in which the granting of an extension of time to meet certain requirements is necessary and proper in order to protect the rights of the applicants or claimants may be made "special" by the Director. No other case will be made "special" except by direction of the Secretary of the Interior. All cases made "special" will be given immediate consideration without regard to the order in which they would otherwise be reached.

A "case" within the meaning of this section will be deemed to be any matter which involves the processing or handling of an application, entry, permit, lease, contract or other right or privilege relating to the public lands.

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been granted, the leases, when necessary, will be given contract numbers by the district land offices, the originals will be transmitted by those offices to the Comptroller General in accordance with section 39.5 of this Part and the duplicate originals will be transmitted to the Washington office with the regular returns. The manager will also sign all other copies of the lease form which are sent to him for execution, forwarding the triplicate to the lessee and making such disposition of the remaining copies as may be appropriate.

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PART 39-CONTRACTS AND LEASES

The following section is added to Part 39:

- 39.7 Procedure where the Director, Bureau of Land Management, has determined that an applicant is entitled to lease public lands under the mineral or nonmineral public land laws.

 After a determination has been made by the Director, Bureau of Land Management, that an applicant is entitled to lease public lands under the mineral or the nonmineral public land laws, the procedure will be as follows:
- (a) The lease forms will be prepared in the Bureau of Land Management and transmitted to the manager, who will forward them to the applicant for execution.
- (b) After the forms have been executed by the applicant and returned to the district land office with the required payments, the manager will sign them for the Director in the following form:

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(c) The originals of all leases which do not specifically
limit the amount payable to the Government in any one fiscal
year to \$300 or less, must be filed with the Comptroller General.
Where a lease of this kind is executed by the manager, an original
and a duplicate original must be signed and transmitted to the
Washington office where the lease will be given a contract number
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- (1) General. Contributions may be accepted to defray the expenses of range improvements generally or of the general administration of a particular district, including, in general terms, the salaries of employees assigned to such district. In his discretion, the Director may accept contributions for a particular position or for the performance of a specific function, subject to the general limitations of paragraph (a) and upon a satisfactory showing by the regional administrator that such position or function is essential to the proper administration of the district.
- (2) Private contributions. Private contributions for range improvements which are specific either as to the nature of the improvement projects or the location thereof may be accepted subject to the general limitations of paragraph (a), provided that the projects conform to the range improvement program of the district.
- (3) State's share of grazing receipts by district advisory boards. Contributions for range improvements from the State's share of grazing receipts may be accepted, subject to the general limitations of paragraph (a), when the resolutions of contribution are in general terms, such as for the construction and maintenance of range improvements in the district and county of origin, or when the contributions are conditioned upon their use for particular projects or on the location of the projects, provided that the projects conform to the range improvement program of the district.

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PART 81- GRAZING

The following text is added to part 81:

CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARD ADMINISTRATION, PROTECTION,
AND IMPROVEMENT OF GRAZING DISTRICTS

81.200 Acceptance of contributions: Contributions under section 9 of the Taylor Grazing Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1273, 43 U.S.C. sec. 315h) may be accepted by the regional administrators, subject to the approval of the Director, in accordance with the limitations set forth in section 81.201 hereof.

- 81.201 Limitations governing the acceptance of contributions. The following limitations will govern the acceptance of section 9 contributions:
- (a) Non acceptable contributions. Contributions conditioned upon their expenditure for purposes unauthorized by the Act, or which restrict the scope of the discretion of the Secretary or of the Director in the administration of the Act, in range management or in personnel selection or supervision may not be accepted. Unless otherwise provided in paragraph (b), contributions may not be accepted where they specify a particular administrative purpose, such as the payment of salaries of named individuals or positions, the maintenance of offices at particular locations, or the performance of specific functions.
- (b) Acceptable contributions. Any contribution may be accepted if it falls within subparagraph (1) below. In addition, private and State's share contributions may be accepted if they fall within subparagraphs (2) or (3) respectively.

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Upon the basis of his review, the Solicitor may modify or reject finally the conclusion of the Bureau as to the measure of damages or the occurrence of the trespass. He may conduct such correspondence with the trespasser as in his judgment will be helpful in effectuating the collection of whatever damages he deems due the United States. Upon the conclusion of such correspondence, if any, without full payment by the trespasser of the amount found by the Solicitor to be due, the Solicitor will refer the matter to the Attorney General with a recommendation that appropriate litigation be instituted. (Instructions of Assistant Secretary Davidson dated October 24, 1947).

The Regional Office concerned with any particular trespass will be advised of all actions taken in connection with the trespass--copies of all letters will be forwarded to the Regional Office.

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PART 231--TRESPASS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The following section is added to Part 231:

231.4 Washington Office procedure in trespass cases. When a trespass has been committed on lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, the trespasser will be advised by letter (not by formal decision as heretofore), prepared by the Law Division for the Director's signature, of the facts, of the reason for concluding that such facts constitute a trespass, and of the consequent damages and the method by which they were computed. If the trespasser has already made payment of the full amount determined to be due, the letter will conclude with the statement that the payment is accepted and that the case is closed. If the full amount has not been paid, the letter (registered mail) will conclude with the statement that unless, within 30 days after the receipt of the letter, payment of the amount determined to be due is received or additional information is submitted to show that no trespass was in fact committed, or that the measure of damages is improper, the matter will be referred to the Attorney General for appropriate action to effect collection on behalf of the Government.

If, in response to the letter demanding payment, the trespasser pays the amount demanded, the payment will be accepted and the case will be closed. If the alleged trespasser submits additional information respecting the purported offense or the measure of damages, the Law Division will reconsider the matter and will advise the alleged trespasser by letter, signed by the Director, as to its conclusions.

If no timely response to the letter demanding payment is received, or if, after a timely response and such further consideration as may seem to be appropriate, the Law Division concludes nevertheless that money is due the United States which the trespasser will not pay, the file will be transmitted to the Solicitor, who will review the entire matter.

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thereto, and any other instructions providing special requirements for the examination of the public lands embraced in a particular type of application, unless there appears to be a probable conflict with a public land program, in which event the Regional Administrator will transmit the copy of the application, with his comments, to the Director for the attention of the Land Classification Division.

After an application is reviewed in the Branch of Adjudication, if an adverse decision is rendered, a copy of the decision will be sent to the Regional Administrator. When the defects in the application are corrected, the Branch of Adjudication will immediately notify the Regional Administrator. Upon receipt of an adverse decision, the Regional Administrator will not proceed with the examination of the land embraced in the application unless it is convenient to make the examination in connection with the examination of other lands in the immediate vicinity.

Upon receipt of the right-of-way map, the Regional Administrator will cause a report to be made as to whether there is any objection to the approval of the right-of-way.

When the Regional Administrator determines that the field report will be adverse to an application, he will immediately notify the Director for the attention of the Branch of Adjudication.

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PART 165--REPORTS

FIELD EXAMINATION REPORTS

Sec. 165.77 Procurement of reports by the Land Classification Division. Where a field report for the classification of the land will not be supplied under section 165.78 without request and such a report is required, the request therefor will be prepared in the Land Classification Division.

If a case is referred by an adjudicating division to the Land Classification Division, and a field report covering any matter not related to the classification of the lands is required for the purpose of adjudication, the information needed will be indicated at the time the case is referred and an appropriate request for report will be prepared in the Land Classification Division. The request for a field report will not be routed for signature through the adjudicating division.

165.78 Reports to be made by the Regional Administrators without request of the Washington office. The Managers of the District Land Offices will forward a copy of every non-mineral application to acquire title to or an interest in lands, other than a right-of-way application, to the appropriate Regional Administrator at the same time the application is transmitted to the Washington office, except where there is a serious question relative to the status of the land or the qualifications of the applicant, in which case the copy also will be transmitted to Washington. In the case of a right-of-way application which involves lands in a grazing district or revested 0. and C. or reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands, the duplicate map will be forwarded to the Regional Administrator. If a right-of-way application does not involve lands in a grazing district, or revested O. and C. or reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands, the application and maps will be forwarded by the Manager to the Washington office with his regular returns. The Manager will furnish the Regional Administrator a status report similar to that required for grazing leases by section 81.3 of this Manual.

Upon receipt of a copy of an application, the Regional Administrator will cause a report to be made in accordance with the Preliminary Instructions for the Examination and Classification of the Public Domain dated June, 1947, and instructions supplementary

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The Accounts Section will use the original form as a posting media to establish new accounts and/or to adjust accounts previously established.

The Mail and Files Division will receive the quarter-monthly district land office returns and will distribute the reports and source documents to the affected branches of the bureau.

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All other matters including assignments and other actions involving a change in the account status of both oil and gas and grazing leases will be handled through the use of Form No. 4-112, Accounting Advice, which will be prepared in triplicate by the adjudicator who will show thereon the pertinent information necessary to establish a new account or to effect adjustment of one previously established. This form will also be filled out for

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MEMORANDUM relating to revision of Part 84 of the Manual of the Bureau of Land Management

The following rearrangement of sections has been made in the revision of Part &4:

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New	84.203

Secs. 84.1 - 84.9 in the new arrangement deal with the Legislative Unit in the Bureau of Land Management and enlarge considerably on former section 84.101.

Three new sections have been added to Appendix L. One deals with matters of form and procedure which includes several items formerly included in Part 84 of the Manual. Another sets forth Departmental Order No. 2186, dated April 17, 1946 relating to "Representation of the Department and Reporting of Information on Legislative Matters." Section 3 of Departmental Order 1780, dated January 23, 1943 on the Legislative Committee of the Department and on appearances before committees or individual members of Congress has been transferred to the Appendix from Part 84.

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PART 90--MAIL
WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE

- 90.3 Mailing lists. Effective December 15, 1947, all "GLO" addressograph mailing lists will be discontinued and the mailing lists maintained by the Bureau of Land Management in Washington shall consist of the following:
- L-1 A general mailing list containing the address of every individual office of the Bureau in the field.
- L-2 A list of newspaper correspondents and others outside of official Bureau connections who, upon their request, receive copies of press releases issued by the Bureau.
- I-3 A special mailing list maintained by the Mineral Division of the Bureau in Washington for distribution to attorneys, oil companies, and other interested parties, of official notices concerning the submission of bids for oil and gas leases and similar matters under the jurisdiction of the Bureau.
- I-4 A list of Regional Administrators and District Graziers for the distribution of official material relating to matters connected with the administration of the public range, including grazing decisions, orders, etc.

Requisitions for distribution of Bureau material to the field through the use of addressograph lists should be processed as hitherto. However, care must be exercised to designate the new L-l or L-4 general lists instead of the old "GLO" identifications.

Designation for use of the L-2 or L-3 lists shall be made only by the Information Officer or the Mineral Division, respectively.

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PART 84 -- LEGISLATION AND LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

Part 84 is amended to read as follows:

LEGISLATIVE UNIT IN THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

84.1 Coordination of legislative work, personnel. The Legislative Unit of the Law Division will constitute the coordinating office for all legislation of interest to the Bureau of Land Management. It shall consist of an attorney, a legislative clerk, and other personnel of the Law Division assigned to it by the Chief Counsel.

84.2 Responsibilities of unit. The legislative unit shall be responsible for:

- a. The formulation and preparation of the legislative program, of other proposed legislation, and of the reports to accompany them,
- b. The assignment of legislative matters for consideration by other components of the Bureau,
 - c. The drafting of reports on bills before Congress,
- d. The preparation of comments to the Bureau of Budget or the Department on legislative matters,
 - e. The drafting of reports on enrolled bills,
- f. The maintenance of complete records of the status of all pending and proposed legislation of interest to the Bureau, and of files relating to such matters, and
- g. The maintenance of a record of reports and other documents relating to legislation prepared elsewhere and endorsed by this Bureau.

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84.3 Preparation of the legislative program. Prior to the beginning of each session of Congress each Branch and Region will be requested to submit to the Legislative Unit its recommendations of matters which ought to be included in the legislative program of the Bureau. It shall include a brief statement of the reasons for the recommendations.

The proposed legislative program of the Bureau, listing each item of proposed legislation shall then be submitted to the Director for his approval. If any items recommended by the branches or regions are not included in the recommendations, the proposed program shall be accompanied by a memorandum listing each such item with a statement as to the reason for its non-inclusion. Upon approval of the program, a copy thereof shall be sent to the Solicitor. Each Branch and Region will be instructed to prepare a detailed outline of the proposals recommended by it to be contained in the proposed bills and in the reports presenting them to Congress. Upon submission of these outlines in accordance with instructions, the Legislative Unit will proceed with the drafting of the proposed bills and accompanying reports.

The Legislative Unit will route for endorsement each drafted proposed bill and report accompanied by the related memoranda. After final endorsement in the Bureau of Land Management the file will be returned to the Legislative Unit which will forward the proposed bills and reports for action outside the Bureau and will keep the accompanying memoranda and a copy of the proposed bills and reports in its files.

- 84.4 Proposal of legislation subsequent to the preparation of the legislative program. If a Branch or Region desires to recommend additional proposed legislation which has not been included in the legislative program, it will submit its recommendation and a brief statement of supporting reasons to the Legislative Unit. Upon approval of the recommendation by the Director the procedure stated in the second and third paragraphs of section 84.3 will be followed.
- 84.5 Consideration of pending legislation not originally drafted in the Department of the Interior. The Legislative Unit will keep a current check on legislation pending in the Congress and shall determine whether it may be of interest to the Bureau.

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Where legislation apparently relates to specific land not described in terms of the public land surveys, the Legislative Unit will request the Branch of Engineering and Construction to identify the land, if possible, and to describe it in accordance with the public land surveys, so that it may be determined whether such land is public land or land under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior. Where the provisions of any bill would dispose of any such land, a report showing the status of such lands will be obtained from the Branch of Administration to be part of the files.

The Unit will present bills which may be of interest to the Bureau to the Branches involved for consideration. When a Branch which has been requested to consider a bill deems it of interest to the Bureau of Land Management, it should return the bill with a memorandum to the Legislative Unit stating that an opportunity to report thereon by the Bureau should be obtained and discussing briefly the significant provisions of the bill. The Legislative Unit will then prepare a request addressed to the Chief of the Legislative Division of the Solicitor's Office for an opportunity to report.

84.6 Reports on pending legislation. When the Bureau has been requested to prepare a report on pending legislation, the Legislative Unit will notify the Branches affected by the bill. These Branches will then prepare comprehensive memoranda stating their recommendations, including amendments. with respect to the legislation and the reasons for these recommendations. The Legislative Unit will prepare the report on the basis of the memoranda and will route the report. accompanied by the related memoranda, for endorsements. After final endorsement in the Bureau of Land Management, the file will be returned to the Legislative Unit which will forward the report for action outside the Bureau and keep the accompanying memoranda and a copy of the report in its files. Reports of other Agencies and Divisions of the Department which are submitted to the Bureau for endorsement will be cleared in accordance with the directions of the Chief Counsel in each instance.

84.7 Requests by the Bureau of the Budget for comments on legislative matters. When a request from the Bureau of the Budget for comment on legislative matters is received,

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the Legislative Unit may prepare the comment without further consultation with the Branches if the legislative matter is the subject of a report which has been or is in the process of being prepared by the Legislative Unit and if no new material matters are presented by the Bureau of the Budget's request. Otherwise, the procedure stated in 84.6 for reports on bills shall be followed.

84.8 Reports on enrolled bills. When a report on an enrolled bill is requested of the Bureau of Land Management, the Legislative Unit may, without further consultation, prepare a report recommending or stating no objection to its signature in cases where the Department's report has previously recommended or stated no objection to the enactment of the bill or has suggested amendments which have been adopted. In cases where an objection was stated, where the bill has been materially changed since the report, or where suggested amendments have not been adopted, the Legislative Unit will clear the matter in accordance with the directions of the Chief Counsel. The report and, if an unfavorable recommendation is made, the veto message shall then be prepared by the Legislative Unit.

84.9 Routing of legislative matters. All incoming legislative matters will be routed by the Mail and Files Division, upon receipt, directly to the Law Division for the Legislative Unit. If any assignment with respect to a legislative matter is received by a Branch or Region from any source other than the Legislative Unit, that Unit should be notified promptly thereof. It should also be notified of any alteration or addition to the routing of legislative matters which it has made.

FORM AND PROCEDURE

84.100 Form and procedure relating to legislative reports and proposed bills. In addition to the provisions of this part, further matters of form and procedure which must be followed in the preparation and submission of legislative reports and proposed bills are set forth in a statement appearing in Appendix L, approved by the Solicitor on May 24, 1943, as a guide in these matters and in the provisions of Appendix L p. (11) under the head "Form and Procedure."

84,101 Memorandum to Secretary not required with legislative reports. Drafts of proposed legislation need not be accompanied with a memorandum to the Secretary transmitting the proposal for consideration. The draft of bill and letters to House and Senate are all that need be sent forward.

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84.102 Use of report to previous Congress on identical bill. A report on a pending bill may be made by transmitting a copy of a report made on an identical bill in a previous Congress, if, upon review, the earlier report seems to be satisfactory. This approach should be followed with discrimination. It should not be used too frequently. Earlier reports should be carefully reviewed both as to form and substance, and the letter of transmittal should indicate that the Department has again considered the bill. Except in rare instances, it would seem desirable to transmit only reports which were made to the Congress immediately preceding the Congress to which a new report is to be made. (Dept. Memo., March 4, 1943)

84.103 Reports on enrolled bills. The Legislative Division of the Solicitor's Office may request the preparation of reports on enrolled bills or the Division may prepare such reports in order to expedite their submission. (Dept. Order No. 1805, April 26, 1943)

LEGISLATIVE POLICY

84,200 Legislative Committee for the Department of the Interior; Representation of the Department and Reporting of Information on Legislative Matters. A "Legislative Committee" for the Department to consider legislative matters was established by Departmental Order No. 1780 of January 23, 1943. This order also sets forth rules governing the representation of the Department on legislative matters. Order No. 2186 of April 17, 1946 also deals with the representation of the Department. Order No. 1780 appears in part and all of Order No. 2186 appears in Appendix L, commencing at p. (61).

84.201 Bureau of the Budget requirements in connection with Legislative reports and the presentation before a committee of the Congress of oral statements advocating or opposing legislation. The requirements of the Bureau of the Budget which must be observed in connection with legislative reports and the presentation before a committee of the Congress of oral statements advocating or opposing legislation are contained in Bureau of the Budget Circular No. A-19, Revised, of September 25, 1946. The circular is printed in Appendix L, p. (51).

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84.202 Hearing by Bureau of the Budget in important cases, where that bureau contemplates adverse action. In submitting legislative reports there may be indicated the "special cases" with respect to which the Department would like to have a hearing in the event that the Bureau of the Budget should contemplate adverse action. Letters to that bureau submitting reports on proposed bills which are of special importance to the Department should indicate that a hearing or conference is desired in the event that the bureau contemplates adverse action. This procedure should be followed only in important cases. (Solicitor's Memo., March 31, 1943)

gh.203 Determination of Departmental policy on reports after adverse decision by Bureau of the Budget. The procedure to be followed in determining the Department's policy on reports which the Bureau of the Budget has advised are not in accord with the program of the President is stated in the Departmental Order No. 1900 of November 11, 1943, which appears in appendix I, p. (9).

BUDGETARY MATTERS

E4.500 Budgetary problems to be cleared through Budget Officer. In order that proper coordination may be assured in the handling of budgetary problems, all matters relating to estimates or appropriations, whether regular, deficiency, or supplemental, shall be submitted to and cleared through the Branch of Administration, and a copy of all papers dealing with budgetary matters shall be furnished for the master file of that Branch. (G.L.O. Order No. 199, August 6, 1945).

Appendix L Amended. The attached sheets "Appendix L -- Legislation, etc." (11) to (14), inclusive, and (61) to (63), inclusive, are approved and will be added to the Manual.

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The present page (11) of Appendix L is deleted and the following text is added:

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APPENDIX L - LEGISLATION ETC.

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

FORM AND PROCEDURE

- 1. Papers relating to legislation must contain a 1½ inch left hand margin. All reports to committees of the Congress and other papers relating to legislative matters prepared in the Department must contain a 1½ inch margin on the left hand side for binding purposes. (Dept. Order No. 1868, Sept. 2, 1943).
- 2. Officers of the House of Representatives and the Senate to whom legislative reports should be addressed. Rule XLI of the Rules of the House of Representatives provides as follows:

"Estimates of appropriations and all other communications from the executive departments, intended for the consideration of any committees of the House, shall be addressed to the Speaker, and by him referred as provided by clause 2 of Rule XXIV."

This rule should be observed, and likewise legislation proposed to the Senate should be addressed to the President of the Senate instead of to the chairmen of committees.

House Rule XLI does not, however, require legislative reports on bills and other information requested by Senators, Congressmen or Committee Chairmen to be submitted to the Speaker of the House or the President of the Senate. Such reports and information should be submitted to the Senators, Congressmen or Committee Chairmen requesting the same. (Dept. Order 1160, March 4, 1937)

3. Form expressions.

a. Use of the expression "and/ or" in legislation. The Senate Committee on Appropriations has given instructions to strike from all measures coming before it the expression "and/or" and it has also requested that in the submission of estimates to Congress, this Department eliminate this double connective therefrom. (Request, Senate Committee on Appropriations, March 19, 1935)

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b. Report transmitting proposed legislation. Letters transmitting proposed legislation to Congress shall use substantially the following opening expressions:

"There is enclosed for consideration of the Congress a proposed bill '(Title of bill)'".

"I request that this proposed bill be referred to the appropriate committee for consideration and recommend its enactment."

And the following closing expression:

"I am advised by the Bureau of the Budget that there is no objection to the presentation of this proposed legislation to the Congress."

or a statement of whatever other views the Bureau of the Budget has expressed.

c. Form for report disapproving proposed legislation. The following paragraph has sometimes been used in indicating disapproval of legislation:

"I am opposed to the proposed legislation and recommend that it be not enacted."

Inasmuch as this statement might convey the impression that the recommendation is based on personal opposition, and not primarily on the reasons set forth in the report, the use of this and similar expressions should be avoided.

The statement "I recommend that the proposed legislation be not enacted," is all that is necessary to express disapproval.

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September 25, 1946

CIRCULAR NO. A-19
Revised

TO THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ESTABLISHMENTS

SUBJECT: Reports and recommendations on proposed or pending legislation.

This revision of Circular No. A-19 replaces and rescinds Circular No. A-19, dated August 1, 1944. To aid the Bureau in the performance of functions assigned to it by Executive Order 8248 of September 8, 1939, it sets forth the procedure to be followed in the submission to the Congress or its committees of agency recommendations or reports on proposed or pending legislation. This revision adds to the previous circular (a) provisions relating to such written statements of oral testimony as may be required under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946; and (b) a new requirement (paragraph 2) for information on the possible effect of proposed or pending legislation on the annual Budget.

- l. There shall be submitted to the Bureau of the Budget, before submission to the Congress, or any committee or member thereof, two copies of each recommendation or report concerning proposed or pending legislation requested from or advanced by any department or establishment or any officer thereof. (This requirement is applicable not only to an agency recommendation or report on proposed or pending legislation, but also to such recommendations for appropriations or new legislation as may be contained in annual or special reports and to such written statements of proposed oral testimony as may be required under section 133(e) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946.)
- 2. If enactment of the proposed or pending legislation will result in increasing or decreasing the annual rate of expenditures or receipts, the department or establishment which will be responsible for operations under the legislation shall include in its recommendation or report on such legislation, or in the letter of transmittal thereof to the Bureau of the Budget, an estimate of the probable effect of the legislation on the annual Budget of the United States.

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3. The submitting department or establishment will be thereafter advised by the Bureau of the Budget as to the relationship of the legislation, or of the report or recommendation thereon, to the program of the President; and when such recommendation or report is then submitted to the Congress, or to a committee or member thereof, it shall include a statement of the advice so received from the Bureau of the Budget. (If, in any case, time will not permit the ascertainment of advice of this character from the Bureau of the Budget, the report or testimony shall include a statement to this effect.)

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STATEMENTS BY EMPLOYEES OR OFFICIALS
AS TO DEPARTMENTAL POLICY

REPORTS REQUIRED

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Washington

January 23, 1943

ORDER NO. 1780

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3. The head or assistant head of an agency of the Department may appear before Committees or individual members of either House of the Congress with respect to bills which have been proposed by the Department or upon which the Department has reported. Other personnel of an agency may also take such action if expressly authorized by the head or assistant head with respect to the specific matter involved. No such action shall be taken with respect to proposed or pending legislative matters as to which the Department's policy has not been determined unless there first shall have been obtained the approval of the Secretary or of the Under or Assistant Secretaries having jurisdiction over the matter. If it is reasonably possible the secretary of the Legislative Committee shall be consulted in advance of any such action. A written report of such action shall immediately be made to the secretary of the Legislative Committee.

No representative of an agency shall commit the Department upon any substantial changes in policy unless there first shall have been obtained the approval of the Secretary or of the Under or Assistant Secretaries within whose jurisdiction falls the matter involved. No proposal involving an important change in the language of any bill shall be approved by a representative of a bureau without the approval of the Solicitor's Office.

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STATEMENTS BY EMPLOYEES OR OFFICIALS AS TO DEPARTMENTAL POLICY--(Cont.)

REPORTS REQUIRED

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Washington

April 17, 1946

ORDER NO. 2186

Subject: Representation of the Department and Reporting of Information on Legislative Matters.

- 1. No employee or official of the Department shall, on behalf of the Department or any agency thereof, advocate or suggest the passage or defeat of pending or proposed legislation until:
 - (a) He shall have ascertained, either from authoritative Departmental documents, or from the Secretary, the Under Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, or the Solicitor, policy of the Department with respect to the legislation in question and shall have conformed his recommendations to such policy; and
 - (b) In the case of legislative matters with respect to which the Department has adopted no basic policy, he shall have received the Secretary's approval of the recommendations he proposed to make. Requests for the establishment or change of basic legislative policies shall, in the absence of extraordinary justification, be routed to the Legislative Division in the Office of the Solicitor.

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- 2. Any employee or official of the Department, who is questioned by a committee or member of the Congress about matters affecting the Department concerning which Departmental policy is unsettled or unknown to him, shall answer such questions to the best of his ability, but shall preface his answers with a statement of his ignorance of the stand which the Department has taken or may take respecting such matters.
- 3. Every employee or official of the Department shall, unless otherwise advised by the Legislative Division, make prompt reports to that Division of the following matters relating to the Department or any agency thereof:
 - (a) Attendance at and the proceedings of any Congressional Committee session:
 - (b) The gist of any conference with an individual member of Congress, unless of a purely routine character; and
 - (c) All other significant information received or action taken regarding actual or incipient legislative developments, including whenever practicable advance notice of the sessions or conferences mentioned above.

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APPENDIX P-PATENTS

The following text is added:

PATENTS ISSUED SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS OF PARTICULAR STATUTES

ACT OF JULY 24, 1947 (61 Stat. 418)

NOTATION ON FINAL CERTIFICATE, ETC.

Patent to contain reservation according to the provisions of the Act of July 24, 1947 (61 Stat. 418).

Text for Patent

And there is reserved from the lands hereby granted, a right-of-way thereon for roads, roadways, highways, tramways, trails, bridges, and appurtenant structures constructed or to be constructed by or under authority of the United States or of any State created out of the Territory of Alaska, in accordance with the Act of July 24, 1947 (61 Stat. 418).

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PART 57--DOCUMENTS

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

FEDERAL REGISTER DOCUMENTS

PROCLAMATIONS, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PUBLIC LAND ORDERS, ETC.

Section 57.105 as amended to read as follows:

57.105 Preparation of public land orders; copies of requests for the withdrawal or restoration of public lands to be furnished for the Director, Bureau of the Budget, and the Attorney General. Public land orders must be prepared in conformity with departmental Order No. 1694 of May 15, 1942 (Appendix D--Documents), and Executive Order No. 9337 of April 24, 1943 (Appendix D-Delegation of Authority).

Where a withdrawal or restoration of public lands is requested by another department, or by an independent agency, a copy of the request must be transmitted to the Director, Bureau of the Budget with the letter submitting to him the proposed public land order for consideration, pursuant to Executive Order No. 9337. If an additional copy of such request is available without retyping, that copy must be submitted to the Attorney General with the letter to him submitting the proposed public land order for consideration. If only one copy of the request for withdrawal is available without retyping, that copy will be forwarded to the Director, Bureau of the Budget, and the letter of transmittal to the Attorney General will state that the copy of the request has been so forwarded.

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CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS
TITLE 43--PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR
CHAPTER I--BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 50-ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUMPART C-DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

The following subparagraph is added to paragraph (a) of Section 50.451:

(41) Approval of any sale, or contract for the sale of timber of an estimated stumpage volume of not to exceed 15 million board feet and other materials of an appraised value not to exceed \$5,000, or of the free use of timber of a stumpage value of not over \$25, provided that where it is in the interest of the Government to have removed dead, down, or other low value timber which would reduce the fire hazard, improve the stand, or serve other salvage or improvement purposes, a permit may be issued for stumpage value of not to exceed \$200, and of the free use of other materials of a value of not more than \$200, in any twelve month period, under the Act of July 31, 1947 (Public law 291, 80th Cong., 1st Sess.).

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PART 132--PERSONNEL

WAGE RATES

The following text is added to Part 132:

132.51 Authority of the Regional Administrators to establish wage rates for ungraded field positions for appointments not in excess of thirty days. Under authority of Secretary's Order No. 2393 of December 11, 1947 (Appendix D-Delegation of Authority), there is delegated to the Regional Administrators of Regions I, II, III, IV, and V, authority to establish wage rates for all ungraded field positions involving temporary employments not in excess of thirty days.

This delegation does not extend to fire-fighter wage rates, or to wage rates for temporary field assistants (survey parties). It also does not extend to employments not in excess of thirty days in positions for which a rate has been established and approved through the usual wage board procedure.

The exercise of this authority is contingent upon adherence to existing policies governing wage administration, including the use of standard approved labor classifications, payment of prevailing local rates and overtime, night differentials and holiday pay stipulated by law or Departmental and Bureau regulations.

For employments not in excess of thirty days, confirmation of Bureau wage fixing actions by the Department is no longer required, whether for emergency purposes or otherwise. Rates fixed by the Bureau for employments in excess of thirty days, under emergency conditions, must be followed by regular wage board or administrative action within thirty days for confirmation and approval by the Director of Personnel.

132.52 Procedure in connection with the establishment of wage rates under above delegation. Each field office or unit of field organization below the level of Regional Administrator desiring to

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Upon approval of the rates by the Regional Administrator the rates become final and the employments may be made.

In the case of emergency where there is insufficient time for the above procedure, the field office or unit of field organization may establish the rate and make the employment subject to confirmation by the Regional Administrator within ten days.

The Regional Administrator shall maintain adequate records for wage rates thus established which shall be subject to periodic administrative audit either by representatives of the Department or by the Branch of Administration of this Bureau.

APPENDIX D--DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

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PART 123--OREGON, REVESTED AND RECONVEYED LANDS

TEMPORARY PERMITS FOR THE USE OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR LOGGING ROADS

The fellowing sections are added to Part 123:

123.27 Action on application. When an application is received for a permit to use an existing read or right-of-way for the construction of a new road under the regulations contained in 43 CFR secs. 115.114-115.126, the Administrator will assign therete a number similar to that used in timber sales, with the symbol R.W.A., which will identify it as a right-of-way application. If the application is for right-of-way for the construction of a new road, the Administrator will secure from the Manager of the district land office a status report of the lands involved. If the status of the lands is such as would not preclude the issuance of a permit the Administrator will then cause a field examination to be made, if necessary, to ascertain the amount of Government timber to be cut. removed or destroyed, if any, in the construction and operation of the road, and will make a determination as to the advisability of approval of the application. In making such determination, consideration will be given to the effect that the permit for the right-ofway will have on the removal of Government timber from the adjoining and adjacent revested and reconveyed areas, and as to whether the approval of the application will in any way interfere with the proper administration of the lands affected, or be inconsistent with the object of the Government, or adversely effect or impair watershed protection, & stream-flow regulations and other conservation features enumerated in the Act of August 28, 1937 (50 Stat. 874).

applied for will not be contrary to public interest or inconsistent with the object of the Government, and payment of all moneys due as rental and damage to the Government timber, if any, has been made, or the maintenance bond furnished, if required, the Administrator will permit the use of the existing road or right-of-way by a written decision over his signature, in duplicate if an original for the Comptroller General is required. The requirements in this connection are set forth in section 39.5 of this Manual.

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The duplicate original decision, if required by section 39.5 of this Manual, will be forwarded by the Administrator to the Director, Bureau of Land Management for transmittal to the Comptroller General.

(b) Moneys. The moneys received by the Administrator in payment of rental charges for the use of rights-of-way or roads and for damage to Government timber on revested Oregon and California Rail-road and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands will be disposed of by the Administrator in the same manner as money received from the sale of Government timber on such lands. In all cases involving other than revested or reconveyed lands, the Administrator will transmit to the Manager of the appropriate district land office, the rental for disposition in accordance with section 3.664 of this Manual.

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OF JULY 31, 1947 (PUBLIC LAW 291, 80TH CONG.)1/

CONTRACTS

- 94.1 Action by manager on sale applications. (a) The manager shall serialize and record all applications (Form 4-059) filed in his office.
- (b) He may make any additional requirements, as where application is incomplete (See 43 CFR 259.6). He shall reject applications which on their face are non-allowable (See 43 CFR 259.1, 259.3, and 259.5), as where the material applied for is on land in a national forest, subject to the right of appeal to the regional administrator within 30 days after receipt of decision, and shall close rejected cases from which no appeal has been taken. He shall notify the Director of the rejection of the application or other actions affecting tract book records, and note his own records accordingly.
- (c) In the absence of any objection appearing, the manager shall transmit one copy of the application to the regional administrator together with a status report showing the status of the land on which the material applied for is located. The manager shall send the Director one copy each of the application and status report.
- 94.2 Action by regional administrator on sale application. (a) Upon receipt of an application under section 94.1(c), the regional administrator shall order a field examination and appraisal of the material applied for, when necessary, in accordance with BIM Manual, Part 20.
- (b) When the regional administrator is the signing officer, that is, the officer authorized to issue the contract, he shall make the necessary determination as to whether a sale should be had, in accordance with the regulations (43 CFR 259.4, 259.8), and transmit his determination to the manager. He shall also send a copy of his determination to the Director.

^{1/} For the authority of the Director, Bureau of Land Management, in connection with sales under the Materials Act, see 43 CFR 4.275 (a), (41) (Departmental Order 2407, January 30, 1948, 13 F.R. 552), and for the authority of the regional administrator in connection with such sales see 43 CFR 50.451 (a)(41) (BLM Order 295, Feb. 2, 1948, 13 F.R. 552).

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- (c) If the regional administrator is not the authorized signing officer, he shall transmit the application, and his recommendation to the Director for decision and indicate who should be designated as officer in charge if the contract is approved.
- 94.3 Action by signing officer other than the regional administrator on sales applications. (a) The signing officer will issue a decision after receipt of the regional administrator's recommendation under section 94.2(c), and if such decision is favorable, he will attach a prepared notice for publication and, in the decision, designate the newspaper in which publication is to take place.
- (b) The Director shall transmit the decision and the accompanying notice to the manager.
- 94.4 Action by the manager with regard to publication.
 (a) When the manager receives the determination of the regional administrator (94.2(b)), he shall prepare a decision in accordance with such determination. The manager shall transmit his decision or that of the signing officer under section 94.3(a) to the applicant. A copy of a decision of the manager shall be sent to the Director.
- (b) If a decision of the manager authorizes a sale, he shall issue an appropriate notice and shall send it for publication to an appropriate newspaper selected by him. When he transmits a notice of a signing officer who issued the decision, the manager shall follow the instructions of the signing officer as to publication. All advertising orders shall be signed by the manager and a copy of each order shall be forwarded immediately by him to the regional administrator together with an estimate of the probable advertising cost.
- (c) The manager shall also post a copy of the notice in a conspicuous place in the district land office throughout the entire period of publication.
- (d) When proper publication has been made, he shall notify the officer designated in the notice to receive bids.
- 94.5 Action by regional administrator on sale, contract, and bond. If the regional administrator conducts a sale as signing officer, he shall, thereafter, prepare his determination as to the award of the contract, indicating any conditions which must be fulfilled before the award becomes final, or any special provisions not contrary to the regulations, which should go into the contract or bond, and shall transmit such determination to the manager, notifying the manager as to the officer to be in charge of operations if the contract is finally approved.

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- 94.6 Action by signing officer other than the regional administrator on sale, contract, and bond. (a) After notice has been received under section 94.4(d) and after the period for submission of bids has passed, a signing officer other than a regional administration will transmit to the manager a decision as to the award of the contract, in accordance with the regulations (43 CFR, 259.4, 259.9), first making any necessary additional requirements (43 CFR 259.10), such as evidence of citizenship (43 CFR 259.5). Form letter 4-439 shall be sent tothe Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Franklin Trust Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for verification and citizenship status of the successful bidder who claims naturalization.
- (b) Such decision will be accompanied by contract and bond forms for execution (43 CFR 259.11, 259.12) and will also specify who is to designate the officer in charge of operations under the contract.
- 94.7 Action by manager on contract and bond. (a) On receipt of a determination of the regional administrator under section 94.5, the manager shall prepare an appropriate decision similar to that specified in section 94.6(a) and contract and bond forms as in section 94.6(b).
- (b) The manager shall transmit his decision, under (a) of this section, or the decision of the signing officer under section 94.6(a), to the applicant. A copy of a decision of the manager shall also be sent to the Director.
- (c) After all the requirements have been met and a favorable decision rendered, the manager shall transmit the contract and bond forms to the applicant.
- (d) Upon return of the contract and bond forms properly executed by the applicant, the manager shall, where authorized, sign the contracts for the signing officer, and assign contract numbers when necessary (BIM Manual, Part 39). He shall transmit the original to the General Accounting Office unless the contract specifically limits the amounts payable to the government in any one fiscal year to \$300 or less, the duplicate original to the Director, and the triplicate original to the applicant, one copy to the regional administrator, and shall retain one copy for the files of the district land office. The manager shall notify the officer in charge designated by the regional administrator of the execution of the contract.

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- (e) The manager shall receive installment payments on the contract or other moneys due on the contract (43 CFR 259.13) and promptly notify the officer in charge of the receipt of such payments.
- 94.8 Action by officer in charge. (a) The officer in charge shall be responsible for the supervision of the purchaser's operations in accordance with the requirements of the regulations, of the contract, and applicable instructions issued by authorized officers of the Department.
- (b) He shall maintain a card "tickler" system in order to keep track of installment payments and the expiration of the contract. He shall notify the regional administrator of any action taken or which should be taken upon failure by the purchaser to comply with the requirements of the regulations or the provisions of the contract (43 CFR 259.22). He shall also notify the regional administrator of the expiration of contracts and make appropriate recommendations in that connection so that steps may be taken to close such cases and terminate liability under the contract and bond, by either the Director, or the manager after determination by the regional administrator, as the case may be.

ASSIGNMENTS OF CONTRACTS

- 94.20 Action on proposed assignments of contracts. (a) Proposed assignments shall be processed, to the extent applicable, in the same manner as provided in this Part with respect to sales applications.
- (b) No status report, of course, will be necessary. On receipt of a proposed assignment, the manager shall particularly note whether the proposed assignment was received within 90 days from the date of its execution (43 CFR 259.18) and whether a proper showing has been made that the proposed assignee possesses the qualifications required of an applicant under the regulations (43 CFR 259.5). In the absence of any objection on its face, he shall transmit the proposed assignment to the signing officer.
- (c) The signing officer shall transmit his decision or determination as the case may be, to the manager, together with all the copies of the proposed assignment except one for his files.
- (d) The manager shall note his records and send a copy of the assignment, and also a copy of his decision or that of the signing officer as the case may be, to the applicant, and

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one copy of each to the Director, or if the regional administrator is not the signing officer to the latter officer. When appropriate (BLM Manual 39.5), the manager shall send one copy of the decision and the approved assignment to the Comptroller General.

FREE USE PERMITS

94.50 Redelegation of authority to issue free use permits. Where, pursuant to the applicable provision in the regulations (43 CFR 4.275(a)(41)), the regional administrator recommends the redelegation to a specified individual of the authority to issue free use permits under the Act of July 31, 1947 (Public Law 291, 80th Cong.), he shall accompany such recommendation with a notice to be signed by the Director and properly prepared for publication in the Federal Register (BLM Manual, Part 57). The notice should be in the following form:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by 43 CFR 4.275(a)(41),

(Name), (Title)
hereby authorized to grant free use permits pursuant to the Act of July 31, 1947 (Public Law 291, 30th Cong.) and the regulations thereunder (43 CFR, Part 259).

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- 94.51 Preliminary action by the manager and signing officer on application for free use permit. (a) If the application is filed in the district land office, the manager shall promptly forward the application to the proper signing officer with a status report showing the status of the land, so that the signing officer may determine whether the material may be disposed of and whether the applicant is qualified for a permit (43 CFR 259.24).
- (b) If the application has been filed with the signing officer, he shall procure a status report, when feasible.
- 94.52 Approval by the signing officer of application or alternative action. (a) If proper, the signing officer shall approve the application form (4-056), inserting any additional conditions which are appropriate with respect to the materials applied for (See Materials Act contract forms 4-054 and 4-055). He has no authority to waive any of the provisions of the permit form. He shall transmit the approved application to the applicant as promptly as possible, retain one copy for the files of the regional administrator, and advise the Director for the records of the headquarters!

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- office. He shall send one copy to the manager and, where no status report has been obtained prior to issuance of the permit shall require the manager to furnish such report. He shall require a bond, when such action appears to be appropriate (43 CFR 259.26).
- (b) He shall impress the permittee with the limitations on the free use privilege (43 CFR 2 59.24 and 259.27), inform him that the permit may be cancelled if erroneously issued or for other cause, and call to his attention the expiration date of the free use permit and the requirement that prompt notification must be given upon the completion of operations (43 CFR 259.28).
- (c) Where it appears that adverse action should be taken on an application or where the status report or other information indicates that an approved permit should be cancelled, the signing officer shall promptly notify the regional administrator thereof, explaining why rejection or cancellation is recommended, accompanying this explanation with a copy of the status report.
- 94.53 Action by regional administrator upon recommendation of rejection of application or cancellation of permit. (a) If the regional administrator determines that the application transmitted to him should be rejected, he shall transmit his determination to the manager for incorporation in the manager's decision. Otherwise, the regional administrator shall approve the permit and take appropriate action as provided for in section 94.52, above, such as the insertion of necessary conditions; he shall send one copy of the approved permit to the permittee, one to the manager, and retain one copy for his files, and shall advise the Director and the signing officer of the action taken.
- (b) If the regional administrator determines that the permit should be cancelled, he shall transmit his determination to the manager for incorporation in the manager's decision. Otherwise, the regional administrator shall notify the signing officer that the permit should not be cancelled.
- 94.54 Action by manager after final action on application or permit(a) Upon receipt of a determination by the regional administrator that an application should be rejected or a permit cancelled, the manager shall prepare the necessary decision attaching a copy of the regional administrator's determination, noting his records accordingly. A copy of the decision shall be sent to the Director, one to the regional administrator, one to the signing officer or the officer in charge in the case of cancellation of a permit where the signing officer is not the officer in charge, and one copy to the applicant or permittee.

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- (b) The manager shall close cases not appealed from within the 30 day period, and forward appeals to the regional administrator for transmittal to the Director (43 CFR 259.29).
- 94.55 Action by officer in charge. The authorized officer in charge of operations under a permit shall have duties similar to those specified in section 94.8.

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PART 39--CONTRACTS AND LEASES

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Section 39.7 is revised to read as follows:

- 39.7 Signing of contracts or leases by manager for other officer. (a) After a determination has been made by the Director that an applicant is entitled to lease Federal lands or to enter into a contract with the Government with respect to such lands or the resources of such lands under the mineral or the nonmineral land laws administered by this Bureau, the lease or contract forms will be prepared in the Washington office and transmitted to the manager. If such determination has been made by any other officer of the Bureau who is authorized to issue such lease or contract, the manager shall prepare such forms in accordance with the determination made by such officer.
- (b) The manager shall forward the forms to the applicant for execution. When the contracts or leases have been executed by the applicant and returned to the district land office, with the required payments and the showing of compliance with any other conditions, the manager shall sign them in the following form:

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(c) The originals of all leases and contracts which do not specifically limit the amount payable to the Government in any one fiscal year to \$300 or less, must be filed with the Comptroller General. The leases or contracts, when necessary, will be given contract numbers by the district land of fices, the originals will be transmitted by those offices to the Comptroller General in accordance with section 39.5 of this Part and the duplicate originals will be transmitted to the

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Washington office with the regular returns. The manager will also sign all other copies of the lease or contract form which are sent to him for execution, forwarding the triplicate to the lessee, purchaser, or other party contracting with the government, and making such disposition of the remaining copies as may be appropriate.

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PART 222--TITLES

TITLE EXAMINATION PROCEDURE

Section 222.15, is revised to read as follows:

222.15 Examination of title; procedure. Where the adjudication of applications involving the acceptance of title to privately owned land has reached the stage where an examination must be made of title to the land, the procedure will be as follows:

- (a) The deed and evidence of title will be examined in the Branch of Land Use, and if curative data is required to clear the title, a decision will be prepared itemizing the defects and specifying the additional evidence required of the applicant. The decision will be submitted through the Office of the Chief Counsel, to the Director for signature.
- (b) After the deed and title evidence, including the additional evidence, if any required, have been examined and found satisfactory, a decision will be prepared in the Branch of Land Use and submitted through the Office of the Chief Counsel, to the Director for signature, approving and accepting the title.

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PART 50-ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C-DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

The following subparagraphs are added to paragraph (a) of Section 50.451:

- (60) Applications for temporary permits for rights-of-way for logging roads on the revested Oregon and California Railroad and the reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands, in Oregon, in accordance with 43 CFR 115.114 to 115.127, inclusive, and the issuance, modification, renewal, assignment or cancellation of such permits.
- (61) Applications for grazing leases and crossing permits on the revested Oregon and California Railroad and the reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands, in Oregon, in accordance with 43 CFR 115.128 to 115.149, inclusive, and the issuance, modification, renewal, assignment or cancellation of such leases and permits.

(43 CFR 4,275)

(Sed) Fred W. Johnson

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The instructions contained in this Order are substituted for sections 42.51 to 42.60 inclusive, and 42.81 of the Manual.

Section 42.51 has been modified to provide for surnaming of only one copy of all letters and decision instead of two copies as heretofore. The other changes made in the above-mentioned sections were required to show changes in titles and procedures, et cetera, due to the reorganization.

WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE

PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF OFFICIAL COPIES OF IE TTERS AND PAPERS

42.51 File copies of letters, decisions, etc.; copies for service; notation for distribution. Where letters, decisions, and other documents are prepared for signature of the Director or other Bureau signing officer, the official copy shall consist of one surnamed copy on light blue paper, which will become the case or miscellaneous file copy.

In addition to the official copy, sufficient carbon copies will be made to provide one for the permanent file, and for service on interested parties and for filing with each record where more than one case is involved. Distribution of copies, other than the file copies, will be indicated by suitable notation in the lower left-hand corner of the page opposite the complimentary close and signature of the signing officer. This notation will appear only on carbon copies. Style of notation:

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42.52 Copies for the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice should be furnished duplicate copies of the letters of recommendation for institution of legal proceedings. Where the recommendation is predicated upon a field examiner's report, duplicate copies of the report should also be furnished.

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Region I - Portland, Oregon
Region II - San Francisco, California
Region III - Billings, Montana
Region IV - Salt Lake City, Utah
Region V - Albuquerque, New Mexico
Region VII - Anchorage, Alaska

The Bureau of Land Management will furnish the Regional Administrators one copy of all decisions or memoranda which take actions in cases pending before his office or in which he has submitted reports. One extra copy should be furnished for each additional case involved in such decisions or memoranda, and in memoranda directing investigations.

- 42.54 Copies of certain letters to Members of Congress to be sent to the regional administrators. Whenever a Member of Congress writes to the Bureau of Land Management concerning a case which is pending in the field for investigation, a copy of the reply should be sent to the regional administrator, in order that he may know of the interest shown in the case.
- 42.55 Copies of letters and memoranda for Division of Territories and Island Possessions. The Director of the Division of Territories and Island Possessions should be furnished with a copy of all letters and memoranda relating to administrative policy on territorial matters.
- 42.56 Copies of decisions for National Park Service. When decisions are prepared in the Bureau of Land Management affecting lands within national parks, two copies thereof will be forwarded to the National Park Service for its use and information.

When requesting report from the National Park Service on any matter coming before the Bureau of Land Management, one extra copy of such request for report will be forwarded therewith.

42.57 Copies for service must be legible. Carbon copies of decisions and documents sent to Managers of district land offices for service on interested parties must be legible. Carbon copies that are not readable are of no value for any purpose.

Stenographers and typists must exercise care in the preparation of carbon copies. The clerks will check the carbon copies for legibility and if it is found necessary, the stenographer or typist should be required to retype the letter in order to obtain the required number of legible copies

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- 42.58 Official copies of letters and decisions not to be altered and to be kept free of notations. The official copies of letters and decisions must not be altered in any manner, and must be kept free of notations made for reference purposes.
- 42.81 Extra copy for Departmental reading file. In addition to the regular file copies of letters and memoranda prepared for the signature of the Secretary of the Interior, the Acting Secretary, the Under Secretary, or an Assistant Secretary, an extra copy must be made which will be retained in the Secretary's Mail Room for the purpose of a daily reading file. The extra copy will be made on white paper and will be marked "Copy for Secretary's Reading File." (Dept. Memo. April 19, 1946) In the case of contracts, leases and etc., a copy of the covering memorandum will be sufficient for the Secretary's Reading File.

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PART 102--MINERAL RESERVATIONS

The following text is added to this part:

MINERAL RESERVATIONS IN AGRICULTURAL ENTRIES

102.30 Action on nonmineral applications. Under the proviso to the Act of March 4, 1933 (47 Stat. 1570; 30 U.S.C. sec. 124) applications filed under nonmineral public land laws for lands which are included in mineral permits or leases, or in applications for such permits or leases, or within the geologic structure of a field, or for lands withdrawn, classified, or reported as valuable for any leasable minerals, will be suspended by the Manager and forwarded to the Bureau of Land Management with his regular returns together with a report on each as to the status of the land involved, and with a reference made to the Act of March 4, 1933, supra. Similar instructions for Alaska are contained in 43 CFR 66.2, as amended.

Upon receipt of such applications in the Bureau of Land Management the Geological Survey will be requested to submit a report, so as to enable the Director to make the determination authorized by 43 CFR 4.275 (58).

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50.401 <u>Contracts for supplies and services</u>. The Chief of the Division of Administration and the Procurement and Dupply Officer of the Saresu of Land Management are severally authorized to enter into constants for supplies and services in assemble not to exceed \$1,000, in conformity with the applicable regulations and statistary requirements and conjugate to the availability of appropriations. (43 CFR 4.100).

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PART 180-SIGNING OFFICERS

Section 180.6 and 180.11 and the center heads relating to them are hereby revoked and the following text is added:

SIGNING AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEFS OF DIVISIONS AND THEIR SUBORDINATES

180.5 Restricted scope of delegation of signing authority

- (a) No Chief of Division or any officer under him shall sign for the Director or under his own title correspondence, memoranda or documents affecting:
 - (1) Any Congressional correspondence.
- (2) Policy matters, including legislation, legislative reports, and regulations.
- (3) Matters of administration affecting the Bureau as a whole or the functions of more than one branch.
- (4) Instructions involving policy, program or procedure; and
- (5) Other types of correspondence having importance of a bread character.
- (b) Any authority to sign delegated in this part is applicable only to matters within the limits of Departmental orders, Bureau orders, and established policy, including allotment of funds by the Director, and which involve no commitment not previously authorized.

180.6 Exercise of delegation of signing authority.

(a) Any authority delegated in this part to any officer in a Division may also be exercised at any time by the Chief of his Division.

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- (b) When a designated signing official is to be absent from his office for any period of time, he will, in each instance, prepare a memorandum to the Chief, Division of Administration, designating the person who is to sign in his stead during such period of absence.
- (c) Any correspondence, memoranda or documents, if within the scope of delegation made in this part and addressed to anyone outside of the Bureau, shall be signed on behalf of the Director as shown in the fellowing examples:

For the Director:

For the Director:

(Insert name)
Chief, Division of Engineering

(Insert name)
Chief, Branch of Land Use
Division of Adjudication

180.7 Chief Counsel. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6, the Chief Counsel may sign correspondence, memroanda, documents relating to the following matters:

- (a) Requests to Regional Administrators for reports on trespass matters.
- (b) Requests to Regional Administrators to make personal demands on trespassers for payment in accordance with previously made demands.
- (c) Letters requesting payment for continuing occupancy trespasses pending final action to legalize such occupancy.
- (d) Requests for report from Divisions or field offices of this Bureau relating to:
 - (1) legislation
 - (2) litigation. ()

180.8 Information Officer. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6 the Information Officer may sign correspondence, memoranda and documents relating to the following matters:

- (a) Transmission of printed informational material of the Bureau.
- (b) Furnishing other types of information.

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- (c) Advising Regional Administrators concerning the handling, processing or distribution of approved press releases and details connected with the maintenance of the Bureau's press clipping information system.
- (d) Communication to the Director of Information or the Chief of the Miscellaneous Service Section of the Department on information, administrative and press release mailing list problems, and relating to the assembling of information for "Inside Interior."
- 180.9 Division of Adjudication. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6, the officers of this Division designated below may sign correspondence, memoranda and documents originating under their jurisdiction, as fellows:
 - (a) Chief, Branch of Minerals:
- (1) Correspondence relating to the mining laws but not as to a particular mineral application or entry, except to inform as to its status.
 - (b) Branch of Land Disposal:
 - (1) Chief, patent section.
- (i) Correspondence with respect to patents, patent records and status of patented lands;
- (ii) Quoting costs of copies of records, patents, plats and surveys.
 - (c) Chief, State Unit.

Same authority as the Chief of any branch in the Division.

- (d) All branches, patent section, and state units:
- (1) Request for reports from government agencies as to land status, special conditions to be added to leases or contracts, military service or naturalization status.
- (2) Requesting reports from field offices of the Bureau, including transmission of papers.
- (3) Advising public on availability of lands, including status, furnishing copies of regulations and other general correspondence not related to a pending case.

- (4) Advising public and federal agencies as to authorized action and transmitting copies of records, patents, plats and other authorized matters.
 - (5) Issuance of form letters which are not decisions.
- 180.10 Division of Administration. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6, the officers of this Division designated below may sign correspondence, memoranda and documents originating under their jurisdiction as follows:
 - (a) Chief of Division.
- (1) Travel authorizations for all employees of the Bureau without limitation, except unlimited general travel authorizations which are required under Departmental regulations to be signed by the Chief Clerk, upon an order of the Director or a request of the proper Division Chief. (

- (2) All types of budget, fiscal, personnel, procurement and other recurring or routine reports to the General Accounting Office, Treasury Department, Civil Service Commission, Bureau of Budget, Division of Budget and Administrative Management, Division of Personnel Supervision and Management and the Chief Clerk.
- (3) Communications with Divisions and Regions dealing with the budget, allotments and expenditures of funds, personnel administration, office space, organization and methods, administrative services, procurement of supplies and equipment, payroll and leave, records management, office practice, interpretation of administrative regulations and miscellaneous related matters within the purview of the Division of Administration.
- (4) Communications with other Bureaus and Offices of the Department and other Departments and Agencies which relate to day-to-day operations of the Division of Administration.
- (5) Cafeteria passes, property passes (except for removal of government-owned machines or equipment), and requests for building passes.
- (6) Letters of authority to perform overtime service for Washington and field offices,

(b) Personnel Officer.

- (1) All personnel fanfolds covering actions which have been approved on journals by the Director.
- (2) Final approval of applications for non-routine annual and sick leave and leave-without pay.
- (3) Communications with applicants for positions, their references, or other government agencies dealing with matters relating to their status, employment or prospective employment with the Bureau.
- (4) Reports or correspondence on personnel statistics, inquiries and similar matters.
- (5) Communications with Division Chiefs and Regional Administrators relating to personnel action interpretation of established personnel policies, regulations, or procedures.
- (6) Letters of authority to administer oaths in connection with Federal employment under section 206 of the act of June 26, 1943.

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- (c) Chief, Branch of Budget and Finance.
- (1) Communications with General Accounting Office or Treasury Department transmitting papers.
- (2) Communications with individuals or establishments relating to delinquent accounts, transmittal of bills, refunds or adjustments.
- (3) Routine communications with Division Chiefs or Regional Administrators such as explanations to field offices based on existing regulations, letters of exceptions taken to the accounts and reports prepared by field offices, letters of transmittal of contracts, reports, etc.
 - (4) Requisitions for and transfer of funds.
- response to previous demands.
- (6) Transmission to the General Accounting Office of claims, because of uncollectability, arising out of trespess, lease, or contract.
 - (d) Procurement and Supply Officer.
- (1) Requisitions, work orders and related papers in connection therewith for duplicating, stock supplies, purchase of equipment, and supplies and services.
 - (2) Contracts for supplies and services not to exceed \$1,000.
- (3) Property transfers, memorandum receipts, and property passes, and all related correspondence.
- (4) Communications with Regional Administrators, the Office of the Secretary, the Branch of Federal Supply or vendors covering general procurement matters.
- 180.11 Division of Engineering. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6 the Chief of the Branch of Surveys is authorized to sign correspondence, memoranda and documents originating in his Branch, as follows:
- (a) Authorizing surveys and the preparation of supplemental tracts.

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- (b) Approval of special instructions for authorized surveys or resurveys.
- (c) Technical correspondence with the regions concerning surveys, resurveys, boundary questions and the interpretation of survey conditions,
- (d) Correspondence pertaining to engineering matters with heads of other agencies of the government.
- (e) Correspondence with the public concerning technical matters and the filing of applications for surveys and resurveys and for the survey of islands and other omitted lands.
- (f) Notification of the acceptance of surveys and resurveys and transmission of copies of plats and field notes relating thereto to the field offices.
- (g) Memoranda to the Divisions of this Bureau pertaining to survey questions and descriptions.
- 180.12 <u>Division of Forestry</u>. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6, the Chief of this Division may sign correspondence, memoranda and documents relating to the following matters:
- (a) Letters to the general public in reply to inquiries concerning:
- (1) Timber and forest and vegetative products other than forage.
 - (2) Requests for publications and reports.
 - (3) Management and disposal of such resources.
- (4) Protection of renewable resources from fire, insects, and diseases and from trespass.
- (5) Field and Departmental employment in the Division of Forestry.
- (6) Other matters in which technical forestry is of a major importance.
- (b) Communications to the Regional Administrators or Regional Foresters concerning:

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- (1) Management and disposal of forest, woodland and vegetative resources other than range.
- (2) Fire protection on 0 and C lands and public domain lands within and outside of Grazing Districts.
- (3) Technical data on O and C exchanges and exchanges and disposals by public sale or under the Timber and Stone Act involving forested public domain lands.
- (4) Timber sales, sustained-yield, forest inventory, forest research, and forest insect and disease control.
- (c) Federal Inter-agency communications with officials of equal or lesser rank, and with other public and private agencies covering above matters.
- 180.13 Division of Grazing. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6, the Chief of this Division may sign correspondence, memoranda and documents relating to the following matters:
 - (a) Acknowledgments of receipt of correspondence.
- (b) Memoranda of intra-bureau character not containing instructions or policy involving a Division other than the originator.
 - (c) Grazing district administration.
 - (1) Grazing district advisory board elections and meetings.
- (2) Instructions relative to grazing licenses and permits in keeping with established policy.
 - (i) Apportionment of grazing privileges.
 - (ii) Grazing unit or allotment delineations.
 - (d) Range improvement and Soil and Moisture conservation matters.
- (1) Standards and specifications for construction and maintenance or range improvements (including section 4 permits) and Soil and Moisture projects.
- (2) Supervision of the programs, including planning, execution and methods, together with records and reports.
 - (3) Range rehabilitation and revegetation.

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- (e) Grazing surveys and range studies.
- (1) Supervision and coordination of field activities, including methods and standards and application of acquired data to grazing administration.
 - (f) Requests for information from the regions on grazing subjects.
 - (g) Transmitting information to the field.
- (1) Copies of decisions, letters, and instructions of the Director and of the Department after signature for use and information.
- (2) Summaries of accomplishments by Districts, States and/or Regions.
 - (3) Information of general interest to the Division.
- (4) Transmittal or reference to published material that pertains to activities of the Division.
- 180.14 <u>Division</u> of <u>Land Planning</u>. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6, the Chief of this Division may sign correspondence, memoranda and documents relating to the following matters:
- (a) Communications pertinent to carrying on Division functions of planning, classification, development, settlement, and economic research.
 - (b) Classification reports, including appraisals.

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In order for field offices to know the distribution made of instructions, circulars, and informative material distributed by means of an addressograph list, the code number of the proper list will be placed in the lower left hand corner of the last page of each stencil or master copy, when prepared and submitted for reproduction under the heading "Distribution".

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PART 50-ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C-DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO CHIEFS OF DIVISIONS AND CHIEFS OF SUB-DIVISIONS OF DIVISIONS

- 50.351 Functions of the Chief, Division of Adjudication, and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division; conditions and restrictions.

 (a) The Chief of the Division of Adjudication and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division may act for the Director in the classes of matters set forth in secs. 50.352 and 50.353, unless the Director in any particular matter, determines otherwise, subject in any event to an appeal to the Secretary pursuant to the Rules of Practice. (43 CFR, Part 221).
- (b) Any authority to sign delegated by sections 50.351 to 50.353, inclusive, is applicable only to matters within the limits of departmental and bureau orders and regulations, and established policy, including allotment of funds by the Director, and which involve no new or novel question of law and no commitment not previously authorized.
- 50.352 Functions of the Chief, Division of Adjudication and the Chief of Divisions of that Division, with respect to various statutes. 1/ The Chief of the Division of Adjudication and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division may act for the Director in the following classes of matters, subject to the conditions and restrictions set forth in section 50.351:
- (1) Applications to lease public lands for grazing purposes under section 15 of the act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1275; 43 U.S.C. 315m), and the issuance, modification, renewal, assignment, or cancellation of such leases, and the disposition of protests and conflicting applications.
- (3) Applications to lease public lands for a home, cabin, camp, health, convalescent, recreational, or business site under the act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609; 43 U.S.C. 682a), and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.

^{1/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraphs in 43 CFR 4.275(a)

- (11) Approval of applications for rights-of-way and the issuance; modification and assignment of such easement, under the following acts, provided, however, that the authority hereunder shall not relate to applications involving lands within national parks, Indian reservations, or any reservations of the United States for the use of or administered by the National Park Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, or any agency outside the Department of the Interior;
- (i) Act of March 3, 1891 (26 Stat. 1101), as amended by the act of March 4, 1917 (39 Stat. 1197), act of March 1, 1921 (41 Stat. 1194), and the act of May 28, 1926 (44 Stat. 668; 43 U.S.C. 946-950), for right-of-way for canals, laterals, and reservoir sites for irrigation and drainage purposes, including the right to materials for construction thereof, and permits or easements for caretaker's building sites on adjoining acreage.
- (ii) Section 17 of the Federal Aid Highway Act of November 9, 1921 (42 Stat. 216; 23 U.S.C. 18) for right-of-way for highways and road building material sites.
- (iii) Act of June 8, 1938 (52 Stat. 633), as amended; 23 U.S.C. 10b) for right-of-way for road-side and landscape development under the Federal Aid Highway Act.
- (iv) Act of November 19, 1941 (55 Stat. 767; 23 U.S.C., Sup., 108) for right-of-way for flight strips under the Federal Aid Highway Act.
- (v) Approval of rights-of-way for railroad purposes under the act of March 18, 1875 (18 Stat. 482; 43 U.S.C. 934).
- (vi) Approval of rights-of-way under section 28 of the act of February 25, 1920, as amended (41 Stat. 437, 449; 30 U.S.C. 185), and of modifications and partial or entire relinquishments of such rights-of-way.
- (17) Applications for oil and gas noncompetitive leases under section 17 of the act of February 25, 1920 as amended (41 Stat. 443; 30 U.S.C. 226), the issuance of such leases, and consolidations, modifications, revocations, and cancellations relating thereto.
- (22) Applications for sodium permits under section 23 of the act of February 25, 1920, as amended (41 Stat. 447; 30 U.S.C. 261), the issuance of such permits and assignments and cancellations relating thereto.
- (23) Applications for sulphur permits under the act of April 17, 1926, as amended (44 Stat. 301; 30 U.S.C. 271), the issuance of such permits, and assignments and cancellations relating thereto.
 - (36) Sales of isolated or rough and mountainous tracts under section 2455 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (48.Stat. 1269; 1274; 43 U.S.C. 1171), in accordance with existing policies. This authority shall not extend to any case in which the rights of two or more persons are involved.
 - 50.353 Functions of the Chief of the Division of Adjudication and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division; general. The Chief of the Division

of Adjudication and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division may act for the Director in the following classes of matters, subject to the conditions and restrictions set forth in sec. 50.351:

- (1) The issuance of final certificates and expiration notices under the homestead laws.
- (2) The issuance of new and perfect patents in lieu of patents imperfect as to signature.
- (3) Application for patented land or lands which in no event could be subject to disposal under the application.
- (4) Applications for extensions of time within which to meet the requirements made by decisions of the Bureau of Land Management.

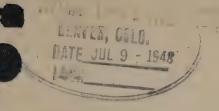
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CHAPTER I—BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 50—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C-DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY

CONTRACTS AND LEASES

Section 50.401, Order 304 (13 F. R. 1980) is amended to read as follows:

50.401 Contracts for construction, supplies (including the rental of equipment), or services, and leases for space in real estate. The Regional Administrators, or Acting Regional Administrators, Administrative Assistants and the Chief of the Division of Administration of the Bureau of Land Management are authorized to enter into contracts for construction, supplies (including the rental of equipment), or services, and leases for space in real estate, irrespective of amount. The Procurement and Supply Officer of the Bureau of Land Management is authorized to enter into contracts for construction, supplies (including the rental of equipment), or services, and leases for space in real estate outside the District of Columbia not to exceed \$1000 on any one contract or lease.

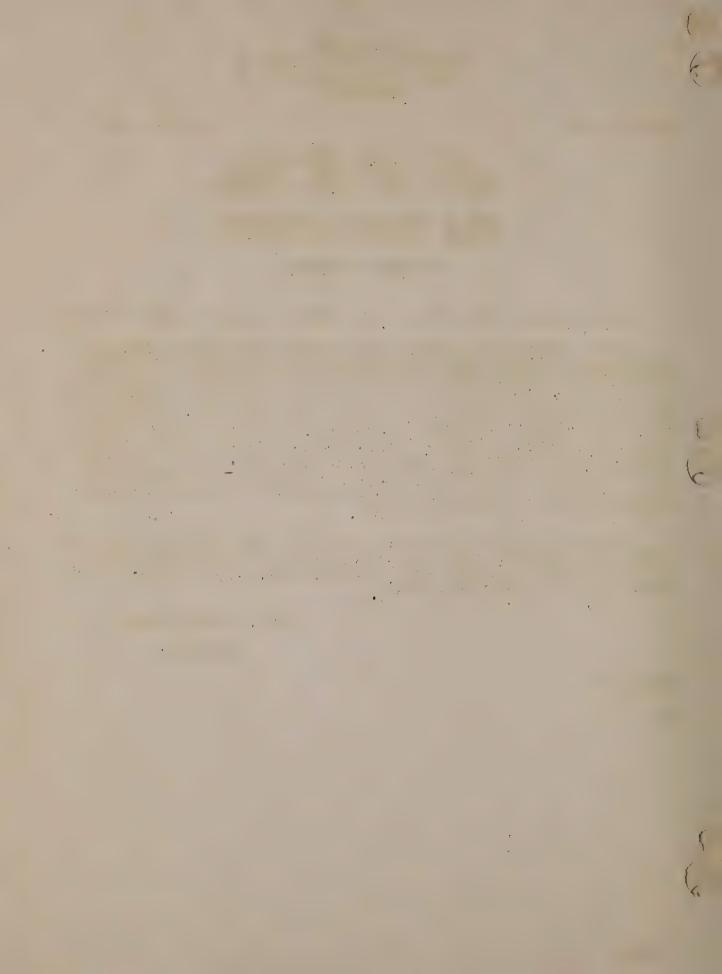
Contracts and leases entered into under this delegation must be in conformity with applicable regulations and statutory recuirements and subject to the availability of appropriations. (43 CFR 4.100, 4.102 and Secs. 3, 12, 60 Stat. 238, 244; 5 U.S.C. 1002, 1011).

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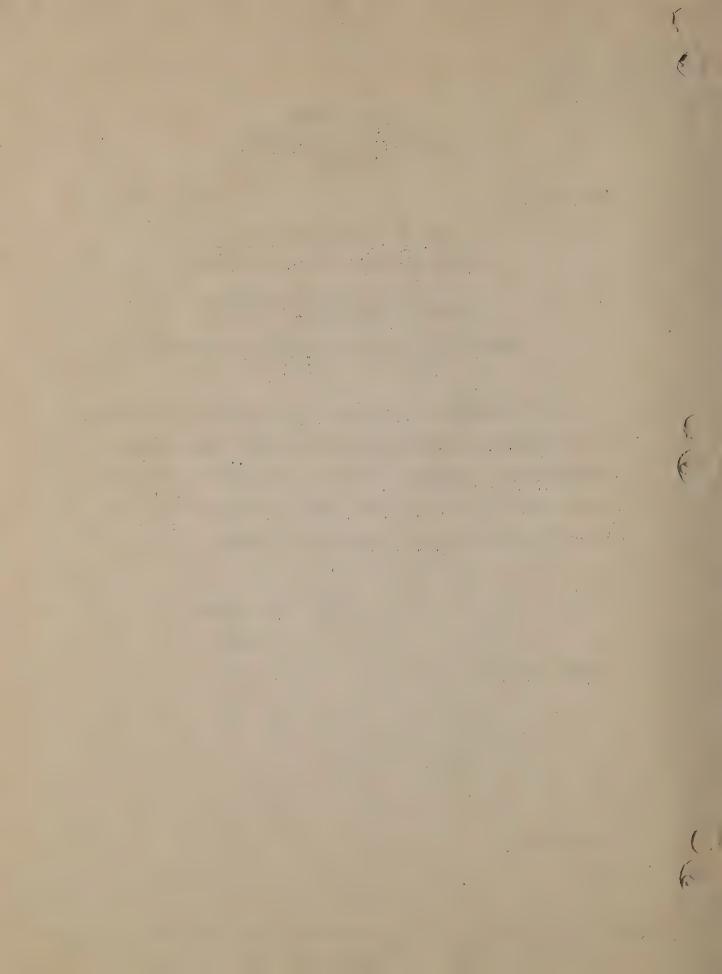
50,354 Functions of the Chief of the Division of Engineering and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division, with respect to the acceptance of surveys. The Chief of the Division of Engineering and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division may act for the Director in the acceptance of all types of surveys.

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PART 132-PERSONNEL

PERSONNEL RULES

Section 132.12 is amended to read as follows:

132.12 <u>Inventions by employees</u>. Each employee of the Department of the Interior is required upon request to assign to the United States, as represented by the Secretary of the Interior, all domestic and foreign rights to any invention made by the employee within the general scope of his governmental duties unless such requirement is waived in writing by the Solicitor.

Complete information respecting the procedure which must be observed in connection with patents by employees on inventions is contained in 43 CFR, Part 6 (Regulations, Secretary of the Interior, August 19, 1947, 12 F.R. 5728).

The regulations provide that every invention made by an employee of this Department shall be reported by such employee through his supervisor and the Director to the Solicitor, unless the invention obviously is unpatentable. (43 CFR 6.3). The information which must be included in an invention report is set forth in 43 CFR 6.4.

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PART 228--TRAVEL

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Section 228.2 is amended to read as follows:

228.2 Travel by employees of the Department of the Interior. Rules applicable to travel by employees of the Department of the Interior are contained in Departmental Order No. 2432 of June 2, 1948.

Departmental Orders Nos. 1278, 1534, 1679, 1914, 1952, 2022, 2025, and 2155 are revoked. (5 U.S.C. 22; U.S.C.A. 22a.)

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PART 180-SIGNING OFFICERS

SIGNING AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEFS OF DIVISIONS AND THEIR SUBORDINATES

Paragraph (a) of section 180.5, providing that no Chief of Division or any officer under him shall sign for the Director or under his own title certain correspondence, memoranda or documents, is amended by adding thereto subparagraph (6), as follows:

(6) Unlimited general travel orders.

Subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of section 180.10, authorizing the Chief of the Division of Administration to sign correspondence, memoranda and documents originating under his jurisdiction, subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and the provisions of section 180.6, is amended to read as follows:

(1) Travel authorizations for all employees of the Bureau without limitation, except unlimited general authorizations which will be signed by the Director.

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PART 163-REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

Paragraphs (c) and (d) of section 163.1 are amended to read as follows:

(c) <u>Purchasing</u>. The making of purchases in the open market and under Bureau of Federal Supply contracts in accordance with Departmental instructions and may delegate his authority upon written notice. Purchases in either the open market or under contract after advertising should not be made of articles listed under mandatory schedules made by the Bureau of Federal Supply.

The Regional Administrator is authorized within limitations set forth or established by the Director to enter into contracts and leases for the purchase of supplies, equipment, services and space as follows:

1. Purchase of equipment, supplies, and services.

2. Construction Contracts for the undertaking of approved projects.

3. Leases for the rental of office or storage space and equipment.

4. Contracts for the sale of excess property of this Bureau.

5. Contract for the sale of junk, unservicable or condemned property of this Bureau.

The above authority has been published in the Federal Register, see Bureau of Land Management Order No. 308.

The authority contained in the above paragraph is extended to the Chief Clerk or Administrative Assistant of each region of this Bureau. Such authorization has been published in the Federal Register, see Bureau of Land Management Order No. 308.

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(d) <u>Travel Orders</u>. The regional administrator is authorized to issue limited general or trip travel orders to employees under his jurisdiction. A limited general travel order is defined to mean one covering a limited number of states, usually those incorporated in or adjacent to the region. No travel orders should be issued to cover the continental United States. States to be covered should be listed. Regional administrators may also issue trip orders for any travel to be performed outside of the area under his jurisdiction in connection with any program having the approval of the Director.

The regional administrator is authorized (1) to approve travel by extra fare planes or extra fare trains, and (2) to approve travel vouchers covering travel performed and expenses incurred on account of an emergency or without prior authorization. The regional files must reflect justification for such actions.

Rates of per diem so indicated in the order must be within the current limitations. Authorizations for the use of privately owned automobiles on official business may be made by the regional administrator when it has been administratively determined that such mode of travel is to the advantage of the Government or in the case of transfer of official station at authorized Government expense.

The Chief, Division of Administration, is authorized to issue similar travel orders to regional administrators and to employees of the Office of the Director (See Section 180.10 of this Manual). Travel orders may also be issued by officers properly designated as acting regional administrators, or as acting chief, Division of Administration.

The Director will sign all unlimited general travel orders.

Travel may be authorized or approved only in accordance with the provisions of the Standardized Travel Regulations, as amended.

In order to effect a proper control over travel by those having limited general orders, the travel in each case must be preceded by a memorandum of authorization indicating the purpose for which the trip is to be made, the approximate dates of the trip, the estimated cost, and the appropriation to which it should be charged. This need be only a simple memorandum of one paragraph, developing the above facts, and bearing the signature of the traveler's superior officer. Such memoranda must be filed with the Branch of Accounts of the regional office or Director's office, as appropriate, where it will be used as a means of obligating funds, and no voucher unaccompanied by such memoranda will be passed for payment. In the case of field employees engaged in recurring travel, such memoranda may be replaced by a work plan or travel itinerary prepared in advance which will indicate the scope of travel and places to be covered. Administrative approval of travel vouchers will constitute approval of a variance from the advance itineraries. Regional administrators will not be required to submit such plans for the written approval of the Director. Marion Clawson

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PART 50-ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C-DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO CUIEFS OF DIVISIONS AND CHIEFS OF SUB-DIVISIONS OF DIVISIONS

The first paragraph of section 50.352 (Order No. 307, May 6, 1948) is designated as paragraph (a) and new subparagraphs are added, as follows:

50.352 Functions of the Chief, Division of 'djudication and the Chiefs of Subdivisions of that Division, with respect to various statutes. 1/

(a) The Chief of the Division of Adjudication and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division may act for the Director in the following classes of matters, subject to the conditions and restrictions set forth in section 50.351:

- (7) Approval of construction in advance of the issuance of a permit or easement in right-of-way cases, in accordance with 43 CFR, 244.10, 245.8, as amended.
- (8) Applications to use public lands under right-of-way permits for tramroads under the act of January 21, 1895 (28 Stat. 535; 43 U.S.C. 955), and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such permits.
- (9) Applications to use public lands under permits for rights-of-way under the act of February 15, 1901 (31 Stat. 790;43 U.S.C. 959, 15 U.S.C. 79), and the issuence, assignment, modification or cancellation of such permits: Provided, however, That cancellation shall be only in the circumstances specifically prescribed in regulations of the Secretary. This authority shall not relate to applications or permits involving lands within national parks, Indian reservations, or any reservations of the United States for the use of or administered by the National Park Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, or any agency outside the Department of the Interior.
- (10) Applications to use public lands under right-of-way easements under the act of March 4, 1911 (36 Stat. 1235, 1253-54; 43 U.S.C. 901), and the issuance and assignment of such easements. This authority shall not relate to applications or permits involving lands within national parks, Indian reservations, any reservations of the United States for the use of or

^{1/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraph in 43 CFR 4.275(a).

administered by the National Park Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, or any agency outside the Department of the Interior, or to the revocation of any easements granted under the act of March 4, 1911, or to the modification of such easements without the consent of the persons to whom they have been issued.

(46) Applications for the lease or sale of lands in the Matanuska Valley, Alaska, under the act of October 17, 1940 (54 Stat. 1191, 48 U.S.C. 353 note), including the approval of such applications, and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.

(43 CFR, Part 4)

The first paragraph of section 50.353 (Order No. 307, May 6, 1948) is designated as paragraph (a), subparagraph (l) thereof is amended, and new subparagraphs are added, as follows:

50.353 Functions of the Chief of the Division of Adjudication and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division; general.

- (a) The Chief of the Division of Adjudication and the Chiefs of subdivisions of that Division may act for the Director in the following classes of matters, subject to the conditions and restrictions set forth in sec. 50.351:
- (1) Applications for entries under the general, reclamation second entry and other homestead laws, and necessary actions in connection therewith, including the allowance, amendment or rejection of such applications, the assignment of reclamation homestead entries, applications for extensions of time to establish residence, and for changes in the residence requirements, reductions of areas of cultivation, the issuance and publication of proof notices, the disposition of protests and conflicting applications, and the issuance of final certificates or expiration notices.
- (5) Closing of cases pursuant to Bureau or Departmental decisions, where proper.
- (6) The initiation of Government contests by the issuance of charges as a basis therefor.

(43 CFR, Part 4)

/s/ Roscoe E. Bell Assistant Director

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Sections 77.1 to 77.11, inclusive, supersede sections 77.1 to 77.17, inclusive, of Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations (Circ. No. 491, February 24, 1928).

(Sgd) Marion Clawson,

Director.

Approved: June 25, 1948

(Sgd) J. A. Krug,

Secretary of the Interior.

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PART 137--PRACTICE JUN 3 0 1948

PROCEDURE IN THE LAND REGIONS

137.51 Discontinuance of transmittal to the Washington office of the originals of applications, entries, proofs and other papers in certain classes of matters. Effective on the respective dates indicated below, the managers will discontinue sending to the Washington office for examination and other action, except the issuance of patents, the originals of applications, entries, proofs and other papers filed on or after such dates in the classes of matters listed below. Where such papers require notation on the tract books, copies thereof must be transmitted to the Washington office with the regular returns, in accordance with section 137.54.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1948.

Authority to act 43 CFR 50.451 (a) and 50.501 (b)	Classes of matters	Applicable Regulations
(3) (66) (67)	Small tracts	43 CFR, Part 257
(66)	Homesteads, Alaska	43 CFR, Parts 65 and 66
(67)	Homesteads 📂	43 CFR, Parts 166 to 170
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(68)	Reclamation homesteads	43 CFR, Part 230
(69)	Desert land applications and entries	43 CFR, Part 232
(70)	Indian allotments	43 CFR, Part 176
(71)	Cemetery sites, Alaska	43 CFR, Part 72
(72)	Cemetery sites	43 CFR, Part 253

Note. Proposed orders are pending delegating authority in the foregoing matters to the regional administrators and the managers.

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	(4) (5) (56)	Fur Farm leases, Alaska Grazing leases, Alaska Shore space restorations, Alaska	43 CFR, Part 62 43 CFR, Part 63 43 CFR, Part 77
	(73)	Trade and manufacturing sites, Alaska	43 CFR, Part 81
	(74)	Homesites or headquarters, Alaska	43 CFR, Part 64
		effective august 1, 1948.	
	Authority to act 43 CFR 50.451 (a) and 50.501 (a)	Classes of matters	Applicable Regulations
	(7)(8)(9)(10)(11)	Rights-of-way	43 CFR, Parts 243 to 245 inclusive
	(24)	Leasing of public land near or adjacent to mineral springs	43 CFR, secs. 292.18 to 292.26, inclusive
	(34)	Applications for reservoir	43 CFR, secs. 292.27 to 292.38, inclusive
	(35)	Applications for special land-use permits	43 CFR, Part 258
ŧ	(48)	Applications for the develop- ment and utilization of underground waters in Nevada for irrigation purposes	43 CFR, Part 234
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	Authority to act 43 CFR 50.451 (a) and 50.501 (a)	Classes of matters	Applicable Regulations
	(1)	Grazing leases (Taylor Grazing Act)	43 CFR, Part 160
	(36)	Applications for sales of isolated or disconnected and rough or mountainous tracts.	43 CFR, Part 250
	(42)	Applications for the sale of timber for exportation from Alaska, not to exceed 15,000,000 feet, board measure	43 CFR, secs. 79.35 to 79.43, inclusive

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Approval of any sale or contract for the sale of timber involving the disposal of an estimated stumpage volume of not to exceed 15,000,000 feet, board measure under the Act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 1015) as amended by the Act of July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 890; 16 U.S.C. 614. 615).

43 CFR 284.1 to 284.22, inclusive

Each district land office will be advised prior to September 1, as to the date on which it should discontinue sending non-competitive oil and gas lease applications to the Washington office for the issuance of leases.

137.52 Classification of land. Where land is classified on the initiative of the regional administrator for the purposes described in 43 CFR 50.451(b) the order of classification must be prepared in conformity with the current Federal Register regulations. See regulations of September 5, 1946 (11 F.R. pp. 9833-9840). General instructions concerning the preparation of documents for the Federal Register are contained in Part 57 of this Manual. The originals and four certified copies of such orders, when issued, must be transmitted to the Director, Bureau of Land Management, Washington, D.C. The orders will be examined in the Washington office, and, if found correct in form and substance, the originals and three certified copies will be transmitted by the Washington office to the Director, Division of the Federal Register, National Archives, Washington, D.C., for publication in the Federal Register.

The regional administrator will not prepare a classification order in any case in which a classification report has already been submitted to the Washington office.

137.53 Adjudication of cases in the field. All cases held in the field pursuant to section 137.51 will be acted upon by the managers and the regional administrators in accordance with the applicable regulations and orders of delegation. The cases will be held in the regions until the work of adjudication required in the regions has been performed. When cash or final certificates have been issued, or the cases have otherwise been processed in the regions in the manner and to the extent required, they will be transmitted to the Washington office for the issuance of patents or for such other action as may be necessary.

137.54 Washington office to be supplied with copies of all applications and other papers requiring notation on the records held in the regions. The managers will supply the Washington office promptly with copies of all applications which have been filed and held in the regions pursuant to the instructions contained in section 137.51. The copies

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must be furnished with the regular returns. Copies of notices of allowance or rejection of applications for entries, copies of applications for amendment and of decisions amending or canceling entries, also copies of withdrawals and relinquishments and any other papers which must be noted on the records in the district land office must be forwarded to the Washington office with the regular returns for notation on its records. All leases and renewals thereof issued by the managers, or the regional administrators, must be prepared with a sufficient number of copies to supply the Washington office with a duplicate original.

The managers, so far as possible, will cause all papers requiring notation on the tract books to be furnished with a duplicate copy. The regulations affected by this procedure will be amended as soon as possible so as to conform thereto.

Regional Administrators. The managers will send to the regional administrators for appropriate action copies of all applications etc. in matters in which the regional administrators are not authorized to act and the originals of all applications etc. in matters in which the regional administrators are authorized to act. These papers will be transmitted to the regional administrators at such times and in such manner as they may direct.

PART 163--REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Section 163.52 is amended to read as follows:

163.52 Authority in connection with various classes of matters. Subject to applicable appropriations, policy and procedure, the regional administrators, are authorized to act in various classes of matters, pursuant to 43 CFR 50.451, printed in Appendix D.

Where the regional administrators are authorized to act. Where the regional administrators are authorized to act pursuant to 43 CFR 50.451, they will cause the applications, etc. to be examined as to whether or not they are satisfactory in all respects, they will give the managers or other authorized employees appropriate instructions concerning the applications and they will cause the lands to be classified, if necessary.

Where the regional administrators are not authorized to act.
Where authority to act has not been delegated to the regional administrators by 43 CFR 50.451, they will, upon receipt of the duplicate of the applications, etc. cause reports thereon to be submitted to the Washington office, pursuant to section 165.78 of this Manual.

REPORTS MADE BY THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

Section 165.78 is amended to read as follows:

165.78 Reports to be submitted to the Washington office, without special requests of that office. Where applications must be acted upon by the Washington office, the regional administrators will make reports to that office on such applications without special requests of that office.

In a case of this kind, the regional administrator, upon receipt of a copy of an application, will cause a report to be made in accordance with the Preliminary Instructions for the Examination and Classification of the Public Domain, dated June 1947, and instructions supplementary thereto, and any other instructions providing special requirements for the examination of the public lands embraced in a particular type of application, unless there appears to be a probable conflict with a public land program, in which event the regional administrator will transmit his report to the Director, for the attention of the Land Planning Division.

After an application is reviewed in the Division of Adjudication, if an adverse decision is rendered, a copy of the decision will be sent to the regional administrator. When the defects in the application are corrected, the Division of Adjudication will immediately notify the regional administrator. Upon receipt of an adverse decision, the regional administrator will not proceed with the examination of the land embraced in the application unless it is convenient to make the examination in connection with the examination of other lands in the immediate vicinity.

Upon receipt of the copy of a right-of-way map, where action may not be taken by the manager, the regional administrator will cause a report to be made to the Washington office as to whether there is any objection to the approval of the right-of-way.

When the regional administrator determines that the field report will be adverse to an application, he will immediately notify the Director, for the attention of the Land Planning Division.

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Assistant Director.

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Part 50 is amended by adding thereto a new section as follows:

Section 50.355 Functions of the Chief and Acting Chief of the Patents Section, Branch of Land Disposal, with respect to the issuance of patents and furnishing copies of records. The Chief of the Patents Section, Branch of Land Disposal, and in his absence, the Acting Chief of the Section, are anthorised to sign for the Director and issue patents for all grants of land under the authority of the Government, and make and furnish copies and exemplifications of patents, plats and other records of the Bureau.

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The following text is added:

PART 92 - MANAGERS, DISTRICT LAND OFFICES

"AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

92.1 Administrative responsibilities. The manager or acting manager, or in his absence the designated responsible officer, under the immediate supervision of the regional administrator, shall have the following authority and responsibility:

Applications. Applications received in the district land office under the various public land laws will first be completely checked as to whether all necessary requirements of the regulations have been met. The applications also will be checked for all conflicts as shown by the records in the district land office. If found defective they will be held as rejected, or suspended, as may be proper, and, where applicable, in accordance with the established procedure for the type of case involved.

No application which is to be transmitted to the regional administrator, or to the Director, as the case may be, for further action, should be so transmitted until the applicant has furnished the necessary information required by decision on form 4-362 or the time allowed has expired.

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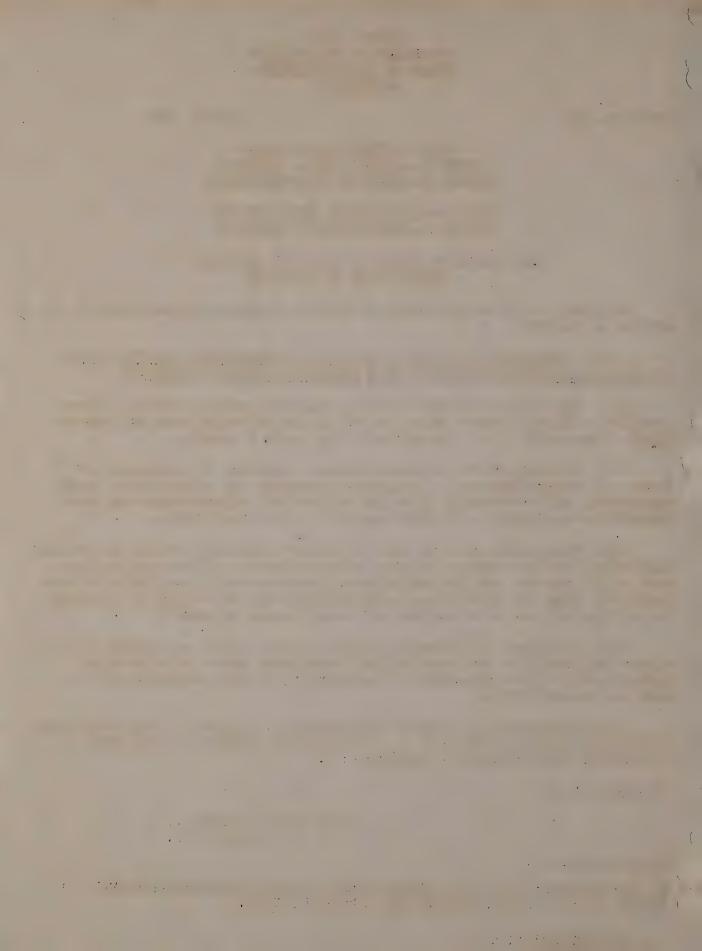
Paragraph (a) of section 50.352 is amended by adding subparagraphs 25, 28, and 29, as follows:

- 50.352 Functions of the Chief, Division of Adjudication and the Chiefs of Subdivisions of that Division, with respect to various statutes. 1/
- (25) Approval of all bonds filed in connection with oil and gas leases, including collective bonds, where the officer has authority under any subparagraph of paragraph (a) of this section to act on such leases.
- (28) With respect to all mineral leases: approval of assignments of leases or royalty interests, of operating agreements and assignments of such agreements, and of subleases, where the officer has authority under any subparagraph of paragraph (a) of this section to act on such leases.
- (29) Cancellation of liability on contracts (including leases and permits) and bonds after the contract has been fully performed, or terminated by agreement of the parties, and the determination incident to the cancellation of such liability, where the officer has authority under any subparagraph of paragraph (a) of this section to act on such contracts, leases, or permits.
- (32) Acceptance of surrender of part or entire leases and permits of all types administered by the Bureau of Land Management, where the officer has authority under any subparagraph of paragraph (a) of this section to act on such leases and permits.
- (33) Elimination from leases and permits of all types, of such lands which, having been previously disposed of, or having been subject to a withdrawal or reservation, were erroneously included.

(43 CRF, Part 4)

(Sgd) Marion Clawson, Director.

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PART 50--ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C--DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO CHIEFS OF DIVISIONS AND CHIEFS OF SUBDIVISIONS OF DIVISIONS

Paragraph (a) of section 50.352 is amended by adding subparagraphs 25, 28, and 29, as follows:

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- (25) Approval of all bonds filed in connection with oil and gas leases, including collective bonds, where the officer has authority under any subparagraph of paragraph (a) of this section to act on such leases.
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- (66) Applications, entries and proofs for homesteads in Alaska, pursuant to 43 CRR, Parts 65 and 66.
- (67) Applications, entries and proofs under the homestead laws, pursuant to 43 CFR, Parts 166 to 170, inclusive.
- (68) Applications, entries, proofs and assignments under the reclamation laws, pursuant to 43 CFR, Part 230.

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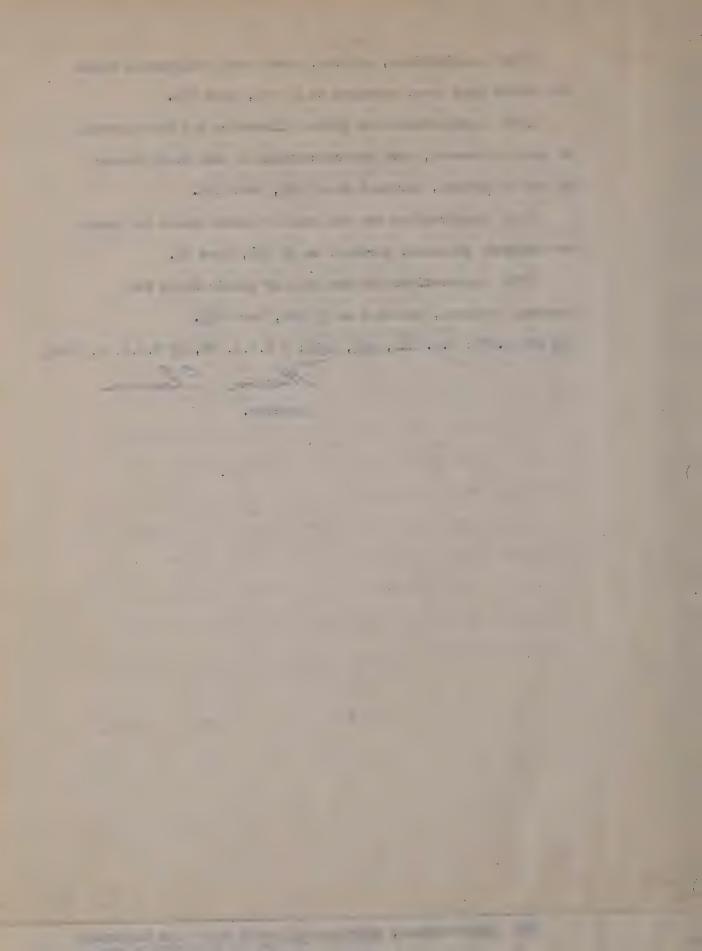
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- (70) Applications for Indian allotments and the approval of such allotments, with the concurrence of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, pursuant to 43 CFR, Part 176.
- (71) Applications for the sale of public lands in Alaska for cemetery purposes, pursuant to 43 CFR, Part 72.
- (72) Applications for the sale of public lends for cemetery purposes, pursuant to 43 CFR, Part 253.

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- (73) Applications for trade and manufacturing sites in Alaska, pursuant to 43 CFR, Part 81.
- (74) Applications for homesites or headquarter sites in Alaska, pursuant to 43 CFR, Part 64.
- (76) Nonmineral applications for lands embraced in mineral permits or leases, or in applications for such permits or leases, or classified, withdrawn, or reported as valuable for any leasable mineral, or lying within the geologic structure of a field, in accordance with 43 CFR 102.34 and 66.2, with the concurrence of the Geological Survey.
- (b) The regional administrators may cause to be classified under section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1269, 1272), as amended by the Act of June 26, 1936 (49 Stat. 1976, 43 U.S.C. 3151), or pursuant to other laws, land as being suitable for the following types of disposition, without obtaining the approval of the Director, unless the Director in any particular matter determines otherwise, subject in any event to an appeal to the Director according to the Rules of Practice, 43 CFR, Part 221:
 - (1) Under the homestead or the desert land laws.
- (3) Under the Small Tract Act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609; 43 U.S.C. 682a).
- (5) Indian allotments, with the concurrence of the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs.
 - (12) Under 43 CFR, Part 253, for cemeteries.

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Subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of section 50.501 is amended, and subparagraphs are added to paragraph (a), as follows:

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- (56) Waiver of the 160-rod restriction as to length of claims or restoration to entry and disposition of the reserved shore spaces in Alaska, under the Act of June 5, 1920 (41 Stat. 1059, 48 U.S.C. 372).
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DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

Subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of section 50.451 is amended and new subparagraphs are added to paragraphs (a) and (b), as follows:

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- (4) Applications to lease public lands in Alaska for fur farms under the act of July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 821; 48 U.S.C. 360, 361), and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.
- (5) Applications to lease public lands in Alaska for grazing purposes under the act of March 4, 1927 (44 Stat. 1452; 48 U.S.C. 471, 471a-471c), and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.
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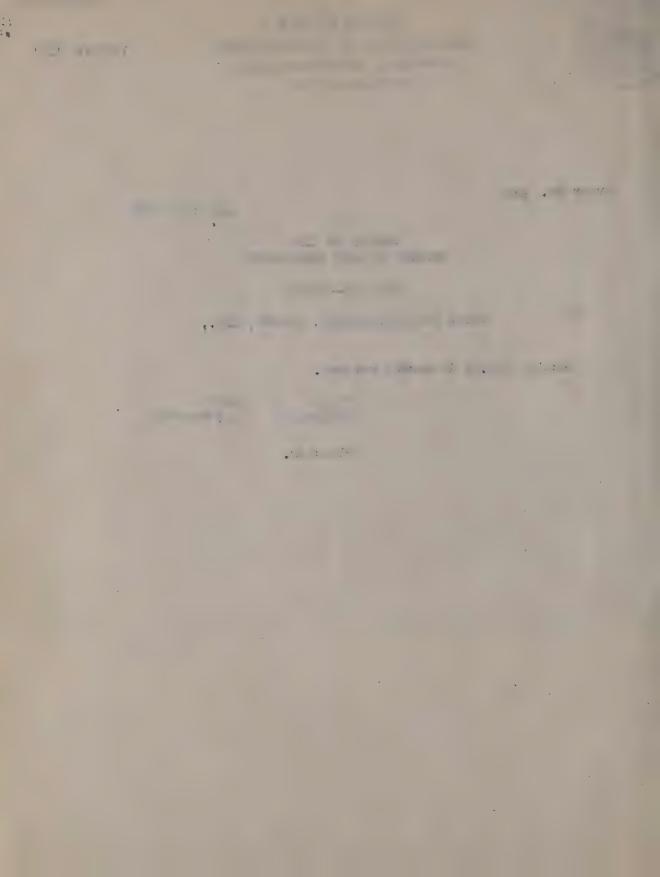
PART 120--OATHS

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Section 120.51 is hereby revoked.

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PART 82-HOMESTEADS, EXCLUSIVE OF ALASKA

- 82.1 Preliminary action by manager on application. (a) The manager shall serialize and record any application for original, additional, adjoining farm, enlarged, second entry, and other homesteads. He shall send a duplicate copy of the application to the Director.
- (b) The manager shall take initial action on the application. He shall clear conflicts, if any, as by giving required notice to grazing licensees or permittees (43 CFR 296.5). He shall reject defective applications as where no filing fee is tendered (43 CFR 216.29) and non-allowable applications, as where lands are withdrawn from disposition. He shall make additional requirements, as where application is incomplete. He shall state in any decision rejecting an application or making additional requirements that such decision is subject to a right of appeal to the Director within 30 days after receipt of his decision and shall send a copy of the decision to each of the interested parties. He shall transmit any appeal to the Director and close any case in which no appeal has been taken from adverse action on the application, notifying the Director of any action taken on the application.
- (c) The manager shall verify statements as to military service, if claimed, in accordance with BLM Manual, Part 97, and shall also verify statements as to naturalization, sending form 4-439 to the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, D.C.

The manager shall call upon the Geological Survey, contacting the local office if any has been established for such purpose, for a report in duplicate on form 4-110a as to the mineral and water resources of the land. Where the land is embraced in mineral permits or leases, or in applications for such permits or leases, or is classified, withdrawn, or reported as valuable for any leasable mineral, or lies within the geological structure of a producing oil or gas field, he shall call upon the Survey for a determination as to whether disposal of the land would unreasonably interfere with current or contemplated operations under the Mineral Leasing Act (43 CFR 102.34).

The manager shall take action in accordance with the report, noting his records, making additional requirements, or rejecting the application

where the land is valuable for a mineral other than fissionable source materials (BIM Manual 102.20) and those which may be reserved by the United States under the appropriate statutes specified in 43 CFR, Part 102. He shall transmit a copy of the survey report to the regional administrator and notify him of any action taken on the application.

- (d) The manager shall transmit a status report, showing the status of the land applied for, to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter, to handle this class of work in the area involved, and shall send a copy thereof to the Director. Where the application is for a second entry, he shall send the application as well as the status report to the regional administrator or the designated employee.
- 82.2 Action by regional administrator on application. (a) The regional administrator, after he has received all the reports, including the report of field examination, shall determine whether the lands are suitable for the particular type of entry involved in accordance with section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act (48 Stat. 1269,1272, 43 U.S.C. sec. 315f), as amended. See Homestead Monograph, 2(a). He shall also determine whether an applicant for second entry is qualified for such entry (43 CFR 166.86-166.92).
- (b) The regional administrator shall send his determination in each case to the manager for appropriate action, and in the case of an applicant for second entry, return the application to the manager with the determination. He shall also transmit a copy of his determination to the Director.
- 82.3 Action by manager with respect to allowance of entry and is suance of expiration notice. (a) In accordance with the determination of the regional administrator, the manager shall issue a decision rejecting the application or taking other appropriate action, attaching a copy of the determination, in the manner set out in section 82.1(b), or he shall allow the application to enter the land applied for, notifying the applicant on Form 4-279. He shall make proper notations on his tract books and "tickler" files so that the expiration date of the entry will not be overlooked. He shall notify the Director of the allowance of the entry for the records of the Washington office.
- (b) The manager shall transmit form 4-344, the notice of expiration of the five years to submit homestead proof, by registered mail (43 CFR 220.12) when the tickler system reveals such expiration and no notice of intention to file proof has been filed, allowing the entryman 30 days in which to file his proof,

or have his entry canceled for failure to do so. Upon cancellation of an entry he shall send notice of such cancellation to the Director for notation on the records of the Washington office.

- 82.4 Action by manager upon the filing of the notice of intention to make final proof. (a) The manager shall make prompt report to the regional administrator, or the employee designated by the latter, of receipt of the notice of intention to make final proof, form 4-348, by sending a copy of the notice to such official, and withholding the issuance of the notice for publication until the mineral or nonmineral character of the land has been determined. He shall call upon the Geological Survey for a final clear-listing mineral report, contacting the local office if any has been established for such purpose. He shall take appropriate action upon receipt of such report in the manner set out in section 82.1(c).
- (b) Upon receipt of such report, and in the absence of any objection, the manager shall prepare a notice for publication (Form 4-348b) in accordance with 43 CFR 166.49, naming the time and place for the submission of proof. He shall transmit the notice to the entryman for publication, at his expense, and specify the newspaper in which the notice must be published and shall send a copy to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter. The manager shall post a similar notice (Form 438a) on the bulletin board, and certify as to such posting on Form 4-227a. He shall check publication to assure its accuracy and to note whether publication has been had for the required period.
- (c) The manager shall withhold issuance of final certificate awaiting return of the copy of the notice of intention to make proof with the required endorsement of the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter to make such endorsement.
- (d) He shall refer to the regional administrator, or an employee designated by the latter, any application under the second paragraph of 43 CFR 166.43 for reduction in cultivation requirement. He shall reject any application for such relief under paragraph 1 of that section of the regulations in the manner set out in section 82.1(b).
- 82.5 Action by regional administrator or a designated employee upon receipt of notice of intention to file final proof. (a) The regional administrator or an employee designated by him shall return a copy of the notice prior to

the date for final proof with an endorsement thereon indicating whether the information warrants investigation (43 CFR 224.5) so as to require the withholding of the final certificate until the receipt of report of such investigation.

- (b) A field examination shall be made where necessary (43 CFR 224.4), and a report transmitted, if possible, prior to the date for final proof.
- 82.6 Action by manager on final proof. (a) If the proof is satisfactory on its face and the notice has been endorsed "no information now in this office warranting investigation," by the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter, and in the absence of other objection, the manager shall issue final certificate and take further action prescribed in section 82.8.
- (b) There proof is satisfactory on its face, but final certificate is to be withheld pursuant to the endorsement of the regional administrator or an employee designated by him on the notice of intention to make proof, the manager shall notify the applicant thereof on Form 4-190, and transmit all papers to the regional administrator or the designated employee, advising such official of all actions taken, requirements made, and any additional showings submitted by the entryman.
- (c) If proof is unsatisfactory on its face, the manager shall reject the proof or make any necessary additional requirements, such as evidence of citizenship, securing verification in the manner prescribed in section 82.1(c), of the citizenship status of the entryman who claims naturalization subsequent to the time of entry but prior to the time of filing proof. If the five year period after the date of entry has expired, he shall require the entryman to show cause within thirty days why the entry should not be canceled. The procedure set out in section 82.1(b) with respect to appeals shall be followed when adverse action is taken on the proof or the entry. In addition, where final certificate is to be withheld pursuant to the instructions of the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter, the manager shall advise the entryman in the decision relating to the sufficiency of the proof that even though the requirements made are met, issuance of final certificate will be withheld pending the results of field examination. In such a case, after acceptable proof has been filed, he shall transmit all

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- When the basis of a complete field examination, when required, the regional administrator shall order adverse proceedings against the entry, specifying the charges, in accordance with 43 CFR, Part 222, or shall order the manager to take other appropriate action, and he shall return the proof and related papers to the manager. He shall also determine whether an application under the second paragraph of 43 CFR 166.43 for reduction in cultivation requirements should be approved.
- (b) The regional administrator shall transmit a copy of his determination to the Director.
- 82.8 Final action by the manager on entry: issuance of patent.

 (a) The manager shall take necessary action in accordance with instructions of the regional administrator, e.g., issuing final certificate where proof is clear-listed and is otherwise satisfactory, and noting on the final certificate any reservations which must go in patent, or taking necessary action in connection with the adverse proceedings, if ordered, using Ferm 4-Olsa to give the entryman the required notice (43 CFR 222.3 through 222.6). If adverse charges are ordered, he shall suspend action on the proof pending the outcome of the proceedings.
- (b) After noting the issuance of final certificate on his records, the manager shall transmit the original copy to the Director, in the absence of any objection appearing, together with publication and proof papers, for issuance of patent, and shall transmit a copy of the final certificate to the applicant. If approval of the Board of Equitable Adjudication is required (43 GFR 107.2), he shall complete and attach Form 4-237 to the final certificate being transmitted to the Director.
- (c) He shall take other appropriate action, as toward cancellation of the entry where the decision of the Board of Equitable Adjudication is adverse, notifying the Director of cancellation of the entry for notation on the records of the Washington office.
- (d) He shall make final notations on the tract books, and upon receipt of patents from the Director, shall transmit the patents to the parties entitled thereto,

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PART 123--OREGON REVESTED AND RECONVEYED LANDS

MINERAL LOCATIONS

The following text is added:

123.32 Numbering and filing of copies of location notices. A new system of numbering will be started for the copies of location notices for mineral claims on the revested Oregon and California Railroad and the reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Raod grant lands, in Oregon, filed pursuant to the act of April 8, 1948 (62 Stat. 162), and the regulations thereunder contained in 43 CFR 185.37a - 185.37e, Circular 1681, July 27, 1948. The copies will not be given serial numbers but will be stormed or marked in numerical order as they are received in the Portland Office. The letter "P" (Portland) will be used, followed by the numeral in proper sequence, e.g. P 1, P 2, etc. of the bloom tion notices heretofore filed in the Roseburg and Lakeview Land Districts, which districts have since been abolished, the letters and runbers of those notices, which were placed after the first letter of the land office in which they were filed, e.g. (Roseburg) R 1, R 2, etc., or, (Lakeview) L 1, L 2, etc., will be changed to the appropriate number in the Portland office, o.g., P 50, P 51. The copies will be filed in that office. All capies received, including any which may be defective, will be given such letter and rumbers, if the location was made after the powersite withdrawal.

193.33 Defective rotices. If a location notice should be received affecting lands other than the revested and reconveyed lands, or effecting revested and reconveyed powersite lands, the party filing it will be advised by letter as to the status of the lands and also advised that there is no authority of law for filing the notice for record in the district land office, and in the case of a location on a powersite he will be notified that such claim is invalid.

of the name of a location notice is defective because of the emission of the name of a locator, or because it does not contain a description sufficient to enable it to be entered on the tract local, ar for any other reason which may be cured, the manager will render a decision allowing the party 30 days from receipt of notice within which to cure the defect and refile the paper.

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Where a location notice for any reason is returned by the manager to the party filing it, a carbon copy of the letter or decision returning it will be filed under the location notice file number.

123.34 Posting on the tract books. Location notices which are in satisfactory form will be posted on the tract books in the district land office opposite the legal subdivisions affected. The posting will give only the names of the claims and the location notice file numbers, thus: "Highboy Placer P 1", etc.

If the lands are unsurveyed, the tract book posting should be made opposite the probable legal subdivision or township, whichever is ascertainable. Defective location notices will not be posted on the tract books until the defects have been cured and the notices refiled.

123.35 <u>Card index</u>. The manager will maintain a card index by which the claims may be identified by the names of the claims. Each card will bear the appropriate identifying file number.

Where a location notice contains defects and the party is offered an opportunity to cure them, as provided in section 123.33, cards will be made for the claims, and there will be endorsed on the cards statements of the actions taken, as "Location notice defective. Returned for completion 19 ." No cards will be made where the notices are returned because the lands are not revested or reconveyed lands or are revested or reconveyed powersite lands.

- 123.36 <u>Conflicting claims</u>. It will be the responsibility of the district land office in making reports to advise as to all conflicts between mining claims and any applications which may be filed in the district land office involving these lands.
- 123.37 Acknowledgment of receipt of copies of location notices. The manager, by a form post card, will acknowledge receipt of each satisfactory location notice, identifying the claim by name and giving the location notice file number. The acknowledgment will request that any further correspondence involving the claim, or any paper filed relating to the claim, be identified by its file number.
- patented mining claim may file a written application with the District Forester for permission to cut and use so much of the timber on his claim as may be necessary in the development and operation of his mine until such time as the timber is otherwise disposed of by the United States. The application shall set forth the estimated quantity and kind of timber desired and the use to which it will be put. The applicant shall not cut any of the timber prior to the granting of the application.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 181-SMALL TRACT ACT

ACT OF JUNE 1, 1938, AS AMENDED

Part 181, which contains the instructions of this Bureau under the act of June 1, 1938, as amended (43 U.S.C. sec. 682a) is amended to read as follows:

- 181.1 Action by manager on any application for a lease. (a) The manager shall serialize and record each such application filed in his office, sending a duplicate of the application to the Director.
- (b) He shall then act with respect to any application which is defective or nonallowable (43 CFR 257.4-257.8). He shall make any additional requirements, as where the application is incomplete, or shall reject the application, as where the land is withdrawn from disposition or where the application does not conform to a classification order embracing such land, subject to the right of appeal to the Director within 30 days after receipt of the decision. The manager shall transmit any appeal to the Director, and close cases involving rejected applications where no appeal is taken within the thirty day period.
- (c) The manager shall notify the Director of all actions affecting the tract book records, e.g., withdrawal of the application, and note his own records.
- 181.2 Action by manager on an application for lease of a tract already classified as suitable for the disposition sought (for classification procedure, see sections 181.3 and 181.9, below). (a) The manager shall take necessary action with respect to the issuance of a lease in accordance with the regulations (43 CFR 257.8-257.10) and shall make any additional requirements necessary, such as requiring more information as to the proposed use of the land. He shall suspend favorable action on the application where trespass is involved, pending the closing of the trespass claim.

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Where no objection appears of record, he shall offer a lease to the applicant, calling upon the applicant for payment of advance rental (BLM Manual, Appendix S., as modified by 43 CFR 257.10).

- (b) Upon return of the lease, properly signed by the applicant and accompanied by the necessary payment, the manager shall sign the lease and transmit it to the applicant. He shall assign a contract number, where required, and transmit the original lease to the Comptroller General, when appropriate (BLM Manual 39.7). He shall send the duplicate original to the Director, the triplicate original to the lessee, and a copy to the regional administrator, retaining one copy for his own files.
- 181.7 Action by manager on an application for lease of a tract which is not covered by any classification order. (a) The manager shall transmit a status report on the land applied for to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter, to handle the class of work for the area involved, together with a status report on remaining public lands within the legal subdivision for consideration with respect to possible area classification. The manager shall send duplicate status reports to the Director.
- (b) Upon receipt of copies of an area classification order, which includes the land applied for, or upon receipt of a favorable determination by the regional administrator as to the classification of the land applied for, the manager shall take appropriate action on any conflicting application, any application under other laws, or any application for a use other than that for which the land has been classified, attaching copies of the determination to his decision. He shall then take action on the small tract application as set out in section 181.2. If an unfavorable determination is made, the manager shall take appropriate action as set out in section 181.1(b).
- 181.4 Action by manager on an application for more than one tract of land, whether or not the tracts have been classified as suitable for the type of disposition sought. (a) The manager shall transmit such application to the regional administrator. If any of the land is not already classified under the act, he shall, in addition, transmit the necessary status reports to the regional administrator or an employee designated by him, as in section 181.3(a).
- (b) Upon a determination by the regional administrator as to whether the applicant may be leased more than one tract, and with respect to the classification of unclassified land, the manager shall prepare a decision in accordance with such determination and take appropriate action as set out in sections 181.1(b), or BLM Manual 39.7 (See 43 CFR 257.10).

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- 181.5 Further action by manager on leases issued by him. (a) The manager shall set up a card "tickler" system, showing the heginning of the six months period prior to the expiration of small tract leases. At the beginning of such period he shall give the lessee advance notice of the expiration of the lease, forwarding such notice by ordinary mail to the lessee at his address of record. For that purpose he shall use a copy of Form 4-781 after filling in the caption of the letter with the appropriate serial number and the date of the expiration of the lease. He shall also forward to the lessee three copies of the petition for renewal form 4-782. If, at the end of 30 days from the date of such letter to a lessee, no petition has been received, the manager shall send a similar notice by registered mail. Upon expiration of the outstanding lease, if no petition is received, he shall prepare a decision reciting the facts, close the case, and send a copy of the decision to the Director for notation.
- (b) Upon the filing of a proper petition for renewal of lease on Form 4-782, the manager shall transmit one copy of the petition to the regional administrator and one copy to the Director, retaining the original in his own files. If the land is still classified for the purpose specified in the original lease and such renewal would be otherwise proper, he shall transmit renewal lease form 4-783 for execution by the lessee and payment of the required advance rental. Upon return, properly signed and accompanied by the necessary payment, the manager shall sign the renewal lease and transmit the original to the lessee and the duplicate original to the Director. He shall send a copy to the regional administrator and retain a copy for his files. If the applicant for renewal in 1948 or 1949 states that he has made acceptable improvements, the lease will be renewed, without field examination, for two years. If an applicant for renewal, in 1948, states that he has made no acceptable improvements, the lease shall be renewed for one year only. Unless these instructions are hereafter amended, the manager shall not renew any lease in 1948 or 1949 for a period longer than 2 years and shall reject any petition for renewal filed in 1949 or thereafter where the applicant indicates he has not made acceptable improvements. He shall transmit any petition alleging such improvements, filed after 1949, to the regional administrator, and renew such lease only upon the approval of that officer.
- (c) The manager shall approve the assignment or subleasing of a lease if the assignee or his lessee is qualified to lease the land (43 CFR 257.4) and if such action is otherwise appropriate (43 CFR 257.12). He shall transmit the original of the approved assignment or sublease to the assignee or sublessee, the duplicate original to the Director, and the triplicate to the regional administrator. He shall make proper notations upon the records of the District Land Office.

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 181.6m Action by manager on any application for sale. (a) The manager shall take action on any application which is defective or nonallowable, as in section 181.1(b), rejecting any application for the sale of a tract which has not been held under a lease for at least one year.

If the tract applied for has been classified on or after November 17, 1947, and such classification does not authorize sale, the manager shall reject such application.

- (b) In the absence of any objection appearing, he shall transmit a copy of the application for sale to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter.
- 181.7 Action by manager on an application for sale of lands already classified for such disposition. (a) Upon a determination by the regional administrator as to whether the lessee has placed the necessary improvements on the land and has otherwise complied with the requirements of his lease, the manager shall prepare an appropriate decision, notifying the lessee thereof. If the determination is favorable, the decision shall call for the necessary payment, including the cost of survey where required (43 CFR 257.10 and 257.19).
- (b) If the required payment is not made within 60 days, the manager shall reject the application as in section 181.1(b). When the payment is made in full and all is regular, he shall issue cash certificate, sending the original to the Director for the issuance of patent, and the copy of the cash certificate to the lessee. Upon receipt of the patent from the Director, he shall transmit it to the lessee.
- which has not been covered by any classification order issued on or after November 17, 1947 (as to tracts classified on or after that date for lease only, see section 181.6(a)). (a) The manager shall transmit the necessary status report, as in section 181.3(a), to the regional administrator, or an employee designated by the latter, to accompany the copy of the application.
- (b) If the regional administrator determines that the land should not be classified as suitable for sale, the manager shall take appropriate action as set out in section 181.1(b). If the determination as to classification is favorable and upon a determination by the regional administrator as to whether the applicant has met the necessary requirements for the purchase of the land, the manager shall prepare an appropriate decision taking action as in section 181.7.
- 181.9 Action by manager when notified of a contemplated area classification. (a) Upon receipt of a notice that an area classification is being considered, the manager shall promptly and

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- (b) He shall immediately transmit a status report on the area involved as set out in section 181.3(a) to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter, sending a copy of the report to the Director.
- (c) Upon receipt of a determination by the regional administrator as to the classification of lands embraced in any applications under other laws, the manager shall take appropriate action, attaching a copy of the determination to his decisions and promptly notify the regional administrator of the clearance of such applications.
- (d) Upon receipt of copies of an order making an area classification, the manager shall note his records and give the order appropriate local publicity, in accordance with the instructions of the regional administrator.
- 181.10 Action by regional administrator or employee designated by him on area classifications for lease only or for lease and sale (on own motion or where applications filed in the district land office cover only part of the area to be classified). (a) The regional administrator or an employee designated by him shall ascertain areas which would be suitable for small tract leasing only or for leasing and sale on the basis of field examinations and other information, or where part of a legal subdivision is being classified on application and it is feasible to have the whole legal subdivision classified at one time.
- (b) He shall immediately notify the appropriate district land office of the area under consideration for small tract classification, when the land to be recommended for classification is determined, and he shall call for any status reports he may require.
- (c) He shall request any other necessary reports. He shall ask the Geological Survey for a water report, and also for a mineral report as to whether disposal of the surface of the land would unreasonably interfere with current or contemplated mineral leasing operations under the Mineral Leasing Acts, where the area to be classified is embraced in whole or in part in mineral permits or leases, or in applications for such permits or leases, or classified, withdrawn, or reported as valuable for any leasable mineral, or where the land is within the geological structure of a producing

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oil or gas field. Field examinations and appraisals shall be made, when necessary, in accordance with BLM Manual, Part 20 and any survey needed. He shall request clearance from other Bureaus, when necessary.

- (d) The regional administrator, if he determines that the lands should be classified for small tract use, shall instruct the manager as to the disposition of applications, covering the same lands, filed under other laws or for a use other than that for which the lands should be put, sending a copy of his determinations to the Director.
- (e) On receipt of notice from the manager that the lands in question have been cleared of adverse claims, or where status report has indicated the absence of such claims, the regional administrator shall prepare orders classifying the lands and opening the lands to lease and sale or lease only, indicating the appraised value of the lands opened to sale, and the costs of survey chargeable to the purchasers under 43 CFR 257.10 and 257.19. He shall take into account preference rights under 43 CFR 257.9 and authorize the manager to issue leases so as to allow for such rights by minor adjustments of the over-all scheme of classification wherever possible. He shall transmit the original of the order to the Director, Bureau of Land Management, for publication in the Federal Register, in accordance with instructions contained in BLM Manual, Part 57, together with four legible carbon copies, certified by the proper officer to be true copies of the original, said order containing descriptive data as to the area classified, allowing for the exercise of veteran and other preference rights, showing the schedule of dates for filing by those having preference rights and by the general public, with their simultaneous filing periods, and indicating any special lease terms (BLM Manual 57.123).
- (f) The regional administrator shall send six copies of the order to the district land office for notation there, with instructions as to the local publicity which the manager should secure for the order.
- (g) The regional administrator shall check the Federal Register, when the order is published, as to accuracy of publication and shall notify the Director, Division of the Federal Register, The National Archives, Washington, D. C., when it is observed that the publication in the Federal Register does not conform to the signed order.
- 181.11 Action by regional administrator or an employee designated by him on an application for lease of a tract which is not covered by any classification order. (a) Upon receipt of status reports from the manager, the regional administrator or an employee designated by him shall call for necessary reports as in section 181.10(c).

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- (b) He shall take action with respect to area classification in the manner described in section 181.10 or shall send the manager a determination as to whether the particular tract applied for should be classified and leased for the particular type of use involved and whether such lease may include an option to purchase clause in accordance with the act of June 1, 1938, as amended, and the regulations thereunder (43 CFR 257.10), and shall instruct the manager with respect to other applications as set forth in section 181.10(d).
- 181.12 Action by regional administrator or an employee designated by him on an application for more than one tract of land, whether or not the tracts have been classified as suitable for the type of disposition sought. (a) If any of the tracts has not yet been classified, necessary field examinations shall he made and the necessary additional reports requested. The regional administrator shall make the necessary determinations, and classify an area where practicable, as set out in section 181.10.
- (b) The regional administrator shall transmit his determination on the application to the manager as to whether more than one tract may be leased to the applicant, and shall also transmit his determination as to classification, if necessary, for appropriate action as set out in sections 181.1(b), or BLM Manual 39.7 (See 43 CFR 257.10).
- 181.13 Action by regional administrator or an employee designated by him with respect to renewal of leases after 1949.

 (a) A field examination, when necessary, shall be made to determine whether the applicant has placed the required improvements on the land and otherwise complied with the regulations (43 CFR 257.11).
- (b) The regional administrator shall transmit his determination to the manager for necessary action as set out in section 181.5(b).
- 181.14 Action by regional administrator or an employee designated by him on an application for sale of lands already classified for such disposition. (a) A field examination shall be made, if necessary, to determine whether the applicant has made the necessary improvements and met the other requirements of the regulations for purchase of the lands (43 CFR 257.14).
- (b) The regional administrator shall transmit his determination to the manager for necessary action as indicated in sections 181.6 (a) and 181.7.
- 181.15 Action by regional administrator or an employee designated by him on an application for sale of land which has not been covered by any classification order issued on or after November 17, 1947. (a) Upon receipt of such applications, a

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field examination and appraisal shall be made, if necessary, and any necessary reports called for as in section 181.10(c), to determine whether the land should be sold, the proper price therefor, comprising the appraised value and costs of survey which should be included (43 CFR 257.19), and in addition, whether the lessee has complied with the necessary requirements (43 CFR 257.14).

(b) The regional administrator shall transmit his determination with respect to classification for sale and the qualifications of the lessee to the manager for necessary action as indicated in sections 181.6(a) and 181.7.

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CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS
TITLE 43—PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR
CHAPTER 1—BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 50—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE
SUBPART C—DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

The following section is added:

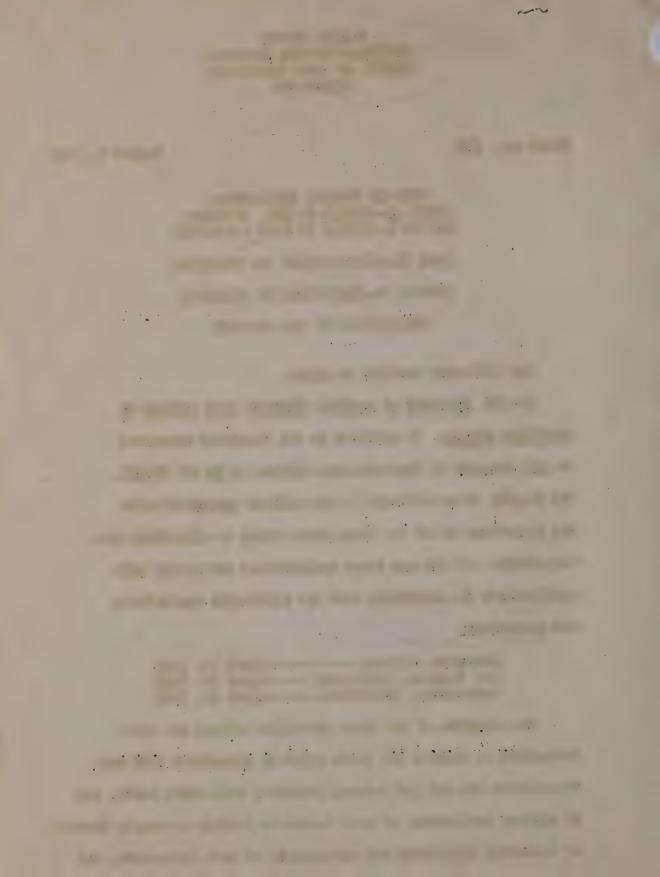
specified states. In addition to the functions delegated to all managers of district land offices by 43 CFR 50.501 and 50.502, those officers in the offices specified below are authorized as of the dates shown below to adjudicate non-competitive oil and gas lease applications and public sale applications in accordance with the applicable regulations and procedures.

Cheyenne, Wyoming ————August 12, 1948 Los Angeles, California ——August 20, 1948 Sacramento, California ——August 20, 1948

The managers of the above specified offices are also authorized to approve all bonds filed in connection with non-competitive oil and gas leases, including collective bonds, and to approve assignments of such leases or royalty interests therein, of operating agreements and assignments of such agreements, and of subleases.

(43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201)
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PART 137-PRACTICE

PROCEDURE IN THE LAND REGIONS

The following section is added:

137.56 Certain district land offices to discontinue sending certain papers to the Mashington office. The district land offices in the States specified below will discontinue sending to the Washington office the original papers in matters relating to noncompetitive oil and gas leases and public sales upon the effective dates shown below:

Wyoming ------ August 12, 1948
California ------ August 20, 1948

Copies of all papers which require notation on the tract books must be transmitted to the Washington office with the regular returns, in accordance with section 137.54.

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PART 99-MINERAL LEASING, ETC.

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The following centerhead and section are added:

READJUSTMENT OF LEASE TERMS

year period. Three months before the beginning of each calendar year, a determination will be made of all leases which during the calendar year will be subject to a readjustment of terms and conditions because of the expiration of a twenty-year period of operations, taking into account all suspension of operations granted under the mineral leasing regulations. Thereupon, three months prior to the expiration of the twenty-year period notice should be sent to the lease of the readjustment of any of the terms and conditions of the lease for the succeeding twenty-year period, or that no such readjustment is to be made, as specified in the regulations.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 183--SPECIAL LAND-USE PERMITS

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Part 183 is amended to read as follows:

- 183.1 Preliminary action by manager with respect to an application for a special land-use permit. (a) The manager shall serialize and record each such application filed in his office, sending a duplicate of the application to the Director.
- (b) If the application is complete and without formal defects, on its face, he shall transmit the application together with a status report covering the lands involved to the regional administrator or to an employee designated by the latter to handle such cases for the area involved for a field examination, where necessary. If the application does not describe the land by legal subdivisions, the manager should make every effort to identify the area involved and to transmit a status report for such area so that it will not be necessary to call upon him for a status report at a later time.
- (c) The manager shall request necessary clearance from other agencies, as where lands are withdrawn for the use of such agency. He shall verify statements as to naturalization (43 CFR 258.3), sending form 4-439 to the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, D.C. He shall request the transmittal of such reports by the agency in question to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter.
- (d) If the application is incomplete, on its face, the manager may make additional requirements to secure necessary information, as to sufficiently identify the area applied for (43 CFR 258.4 and 258.20). If the application is defective, as where no fee accompanies the application, or the applicant is not qualified to make application the manager shall reject the application (43 CFR 216.29, 258.5, 258.21). He may also reject an application for lands which are not subject to any type of disposition, as where it is in conflict with an allowed entry or the lands have been patented. The fee paid by an applicant will be returned if the application is rejected (43 CFR 258.5 and 258.21).

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- (e) The manager shall state in any decision rejecting an application or making additional requirements that such decision is subject to a right of appeal to the Director, Bureau of Land Management, within 30 days after receipt of his decision and shall send a copy of the decision to each of the interested parties. He shall transmit any appeal to the Director and close any case in which no appeal has been taken from adverse action on the application, notifying the Director of any action taken on the application.
- application for a special land-use permit. (a) After the lands have been sufficiently identified, any necessary field examination made, necessary reports filed, and reports from other agencies received, the regional administrator shall determine whether the applicant is qualified for a permit (43 CFR 258.3), whether the land should be devoted to the use for which the application was made, whether the provisions of existing public land laws may be invoked or the contemplated use is in conflict with any Federal or State laws (43 CFR 258.2), and whether the contemplated use of a tract within a grazing district would interfere with the administration of such grazing districts (43 CFR 258.7).

The regional administrator shall also determine what special provisions should be added to the permit form 4-972a or 4-972c where appropriate, as where the same lands will be subject to a joint use under the public land laws. He shall, in addition, take any other appropriate action, as by giving notice to interested parties, such as grazing permittees, in the same manner as with respect to the opening of the lands to entry (43 CFR 160.13, 296.6) so that such parties receive an opportunity to protest, if they so desire, the issuance of the permit.

(b) The regional administrator shall notify the applicant that permit may be issued to him upon receipt of the necessary rental payment (43 CFR 258.9 and 258.21), indicating any special stipulations which must be inserted in the permit (43 CFR 258.13). Upon receipt of the payment, he shall prepare form 4-972(a) or 4-972(c) and issue an appropriate permit to the applicant (43 CFR 258.7 and 258.22). He shall send one copy of the permit to the Director, retain a copy for his own files, and notify the manager of the issuance of the permit for the records of the district land office. If the application must be rejected, as where the proposed use under the permit applied for would be inconsistent with another use, he shall give the applicant a right of appeal to the Director in the manner set out in section 183.1(e).

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- 183.3 Action with respect to modification, renewal, assignment, and cancellation of a special land-use permit. (a) The manager shall transmit to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter for such purpose, any application for modification, renewal, or assignment of a special land-use permit.
- (b) Upon receipt of such application, or upon receipt of information which may require cancellation of a permit, and after necessary reports have been received, the regional administrator shall issue an appropriate decision to each of the interested parties in accordance with the regulations (43 CFR 258.8, 258.14 and 258.23). He shall send a copy of his decision to the Director and to the manager for their records.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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PART 151-PUBLIC SALES

The following text is added to Part 151:

- 151.11 Preliminary action by manager on application. (a) The manager shall serialize and record any application (Form 4-008e) for public sale. He shall send a duplicate copy of the application to the Director.
- (b) The manager shall take initial action on the application (43 CFR 250.4). He shall clear conflicts, if any, as by giving required notice to grazing licensees or permittees (43 CFR 296.6). He shall reject non-allowable applications, as where lands are withdrawn from disposition. He shall make additional requirements, as where application is incomplete. He shall state in any decision rejecting an application or making additional requirements that such decision is subject to a right of appeal to the Director within 30 days after receipt of his decision and shall send a copy of the decision to each of the interested parties. He shall transmit any appeal to the Director and close any case in which no appeal has been taken from adverse action on the application, notifying the Director of any action taken on the application.
- (c) The manager shall call upon the Geological Survey, Washington, D. C. for a report in duplicate on form 4-110a as to the mineral and water resources of the land. Where the land is embraced in mineral permits or leases, or in applications for such permits or leases, or is classified, withdrawn, or reported as valuable for any leasable mineral, or lies within the geological structure of a producing oil or gas field, he shall call upon the Geological Survey for a determination as to whether disposal of the land would unreasonably interfere with current or contemplated operations under the Mineral Leasing Act (43 CFR 102.34).

The manager shall take action in accordance with the report (43 GPR 250.8), noting his records, making additional requirements, or rejecting the application where the land is valuable for a mineral other than fissionable source materials (BLM Manual 102.20) and those which may be reserved by the United States under the appropriate statutes specified in 43 GFR, Part 102. He shall transmit a copy of the report of the Geological Survey to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter to handle public sales in the area involved and notify such official of any action taken on the application.

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- (d) The manager shall transmit a status report, showing the status of the land applied for, to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter for such purpose, and shall send a copy thereof to the Director.
- /// .12. Determination by regional administrator as to disposition of lands under Act. (a) Either on his own motion, in the absence of an application, or upon receipt of a status report under section, 11(d) relating to an application filed with the district land office, the regional administrator shall take appropriate action after he has received all the reports, including the report of field examination (BLM Manual, Part 20). He shall determine whether the lands should be sold (See BLM Manual 151.1 and 151.2) and the terms of such sale, such determination constituting a classification of lands in accordance with section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act (48 Stat. 1269, 1272, 43 U.S.C. sec. 515f), as amended, as suitable for disposal under the public sale law.
- (b) The regional administrator shall send his determination in each case to the manager for appropriate action, and a copy of his determination to the Director.
- 15/. 13. Action by manager on sale of lands. (a) In accordance with the dermination of the regional administrator, the manager shall issue an appropriate decision. If the determination is adverse, he shall reject the application or take other appropriate action, attaching a copy of the determination, in the manner set out in section 151.11(b). If the determination is favorable, and in the absence of any objection, the manager shall prepare a notice for publication (Form 4-348d or 4-348-L) describing the land, fixing the date and time of the sale sufficiently far enough in advance, stating the appraised value of the lands and indicating any other terms of the sale or necessary information. See 43 CFR 250.8 and 250.9. He shall transmit the notice of the applicant for publication at his expense, specify the newspaper in which the notice must be published, and send a copy to the regional administrator or an employee designated by the latter. The manager shall post a similar notice (Form 4-3486 or 4-348k) on the bulletin board. and certify as to such posting. He shall check publication to assure its accuracy and to note whether publication has been had for the required period. Where the regional administrator has ordered the sale on his own motion, in the absence of an application, the manager shall prepare the notice of publication, conduct the sale, and take other necessary action in the manner specified herein, except that the Government instead of an applicant, shall procure publication and pay the publisher therefor.
- (b) After publication is made, the manager shall conduct the sale (43 CFR 250.10 and 250.11), and keep a record of the bidding, including the names of the bidders, the amounts bid by each, whether the bid was made by the principal or his agent, personally at the sale or by mail, and the time and date of receipt of each bid. All bids shall be held unearned by the manager until an award is made. If no publication is made, although authorized pursuant to a sale application, or if no one bids at the sale, the manager shall close the case, notifying the Director for notation on the records

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- (c) Where there are conflicting preference right bidders for more than one subdivision, the manager shall grant 30 days for them to agree among themselves upon a division of the tracts. In the absence of such agreement, the manager shall transmit the papers to the regional administrator for determination (43 CFR 250.11(b)3).
- (d) The manager shall make any necessary additional requirements of the bidder, such as ditizenship evidence, or proof of preference right. 43 CFR 250.11(b)1 and 250.12(b). The manager shall verify statements as to naturalization, as may be necessary, sending a form letter 4-439 to the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, D.C.
- 151.14 Action by regional administrator as to conflicting preference right claimants. (a) Upon receipt from the manager of the papers relating to a case of non-agreeing conflicting preference right claimants the regional administrator shall determine the most equitable division of the tracts, he shall instruct the manager accordingly, and return the papers to the manager.
- (b) The regional administrator shall transmit a copy of his determination to the Director.
- 151.15 Action by manager as to the award and the issuance of patent.

 (a) The manager shall prepare a decision after the close of the preference right period declaring the purchaser or purchasers and requiring payment and reimbursement of the applicant for publication costs, when appropriate.

 43 CFR 250.12(a). Where there has been a determination by the regional administrator, the manager shall prepare his decision in accordance with such determination, attaching a copy of the determination.
- (b) If the requirements of the regulations and the decisions issued are not met, the manager shall reject the bid in the manner set out in section 151.11(b) and shall make similar requirements of the next qualified bidder. 43 CFR 250.11(a). If the requirements are met, the manager shall issue a cash certificate noting on the cash certificate the date of the decision authorizing the sale and any reservations which must go in the patent (43 CFR 250.8) and return the money of the unsuccessful bidders. After noting the issuance of the cash certificate on his records, the manager shall transmit the original copy to the Director, in the absence of any objection appearing, together with proof of publication and other papers, for issuance of patent, and shall transmit a copy of the cash certificate to the applicant.
- (c) The manager shall make final notations on the tract books, and upon receipt of a patent from the Director, he shall transmit the patent to the parties entitled thereto.

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The land status should be rechecked before issuance of the cash certificate in order to determine whether a mineral application has been filed (43 CFR 102.35). If such application has been filed, 43 CFR, Part 102 should be followed.

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TITLE 43—PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR
CHAPTER I—BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 50—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE
SUBPART C—DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

Section 50.503 is amended by adding to the list of effices and dates given therein the following:

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Phoenix, Arizona — September 1, 1948

Beise, Idahe ----- September 1, 1948

Pertland, Oregon — September 1, 1948

Salt Lake City, Utah - September 1, 1948

Denver, Colorado - September 15, 1948

Billings, Montana - September 15, 1948

Las Cruces, New Mexico - September 15, 1948

(43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201)

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PART 50—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE
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DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

New subparagraphs are added to paragraphs (a) and (b) of section 50.451, as follows:

50.4511 Functions with respect to various statutes. (a) * *

- (7) Approval of construction in advance of the issuance of a permit or easement in right-of-way cases, in accordance with 43 CFR, 244.10, 245.8, as amended.
- (8) Applications to use public lands under right-of-way permits for tramroads under the act of January 21, 1895 (28 Stat. 635;43U.S.C. 956), and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such permits.
- (9) Applications to use public lands under right-of-way permits or easements authorized by the following acts, and the issuance, assignment, modification, cancellation, or revocation of such permits or easements: Provided, That such actions involving lands within national parks, or any reservations of the United States for the use of or administered by the National Park Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, or any agency outside the Department of the Interior, may only be taken after the consent of the head of the bureau or agency administering the reservation has been obtained.

^{1/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraphs in 43 CFR 4.275(a) and (b)

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- (ii) Under the act of March 4, 1911 (36 Stat. 1235, 1253-54; 43 U.S.C. 961).
- (iii). Under section 4(P) of the act of December 5, 1924

 (43 Stat. 704), for the construction, operation or maintenance of
 main transmission lines to transmit electrical energy, as provided
 by the Boulder Canyon Act of December 21, 1928 (45 Stat. 1056, 1061).
- (10) Approval of applications for rights-of-way and the issuance, modification and assignment of such easements, and cancellations on relinquishments, or when authorized as a result of forfeiture proceedings, under the following acts: Provided, That such actions involving lands within national parks, or any reservations of the United States for the use of or administered by the National Park Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, or any agency outside the Department of the Interior, may only be taken after the consent of the head of the bureau or agency administering the reservation has been obtained.
- (i) Act of March 3, 1891 (26 Stat. 1101), as amended by the act of March 4, 1917 (39 Stat. 1197), act of March 1, 1921 (41 Stat. 1194), and the act of May 28, 1926 (44 Stat. 668; 43 U.S.C. 946-950), for right-of-way for canals, laterals, and reservoir sites for irrigation and drainage purposes, including the right to materials for construction thereof, and permits or easements for caretaker's building sites on adjoining acreage.
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- (v) Approval of rights-of-way for railroad purposes under the act of March 18, 1875 (18 Stat. 482; 43 U.S.C. 934).
- (vi) Approval of rights-of-way under section 28 of the act of February 25, 1920, as amended (41 Stat. 437, 449; 30 U.S.C. 185), and of modifications and partial or entire relinquishments of such rights-of-way.
- (24) Applications for mineral spring leases under the act of March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1133; 43 U.S.C. 971), the issuance of such leases, and assignments, modifications and cancellations relating thereto.
- (34) Applications for reservoir sites for water for livestock under the act of January 13, 1897 (29 Stat. 484), as amended by the act of March 3, 1923 (42 Stat. 1437; 43 U.S.C. 952-955).
- (35) The issuance of special land use permits pursuant to
 43 CFR, Part 258, and section 115.150, including such permits to
 Federal agencies, and to State agencies and political subdivisions.
- (48) Applications and permits for the development of underground water in Nevada under 43 CFR, Part 234.
- (b) The regional administrators may cause to be classified under section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1269, 1272), as amended by the act of June 26, 1936 (49 Stat. 1976, 43 U.S.C. 315f), or pursuant to other laws, land as being suitable for the following types of disposition, without obtaining the

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approval of the Director, unless the Director in any particular matter determines otherwise, subject in any event to an appeal to the Director according to the Rules of Practice, 43 CFR, Part 221:

(7) Under 43 CFR, Part 234, relating to the development of underground water in Nevada.

DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

Paragraph (a) of section 50.501 is amended and new subparagraphs are added to it as follows:

managers may act in relation to the following classes of matters in accordance with applicable regulations and procedures, without obtaining the approval of the Director or Regional Administrator, unless the Director or Regional Administrator in any particular matter determines otherwise, subject in any event to an appeal to the Director and from his decision to the Secretary, in accordance with the Rules of Practice (43CFR, Part 221).

- (4) Applications to lease public lands in Alaska for fur farms under the act of July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 821; 48 U.S.C. 360, 361), and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.
- (5) Applications to lease public lands in Alaska for grazing purposes under the act of March 4, 1927 (44 Stat. 1452; 48 U.S.C. 471, 471a-471c), and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.
- (7) Approval of construction in advance of the issuance of a permit or easement in right-of-way cases, in accordance with 43 CFR, 244.10, 245.8, as amended.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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ORDER NO. 332

In order to obtain maximum utilization of personnel and to coordinate the correspondence and stenographic activities of the Washington office, there are hereby established, effective immediately, in the Division of Administration, a Correspondence Section and a Stenographic Section. The Stenographic Section, now a part of the Division of Adjudication, is hereby abolished and its personnel, equipment, files, and papers, are transferred to and made a part of the Division of Administration.

- and reply to letters received by the Bureau to questions of a general character relative to the acquisition of homesteads, leasing of public lands, small tract information, and to the use and disposition of the public lands in general. In addition to these general types of correspondence, the Section may handle replies to other specific types of correspondence as may be developed by agreement between the Chief, Division of Administration, and other Division Chiefs. For this purpose, each Division Chief or Branch Chief, should furnish the Chief, Division of Administration, not later than September 1st, a list of additional types of correspondence now handled in his Division, which can be treated more expeditiously in the Correspondence Section. Correspondence dealing with case actions which have been serialized and matters concerning patents will normally not be answered by this Section.
- 2. The Correspondence Section will be headed by Mrs. Alice M. Grove, who is hereby designated as Acting Chief, Correspondence Section.

The following personnel are hereby assigned to this section:

Alice M. Grove, Pauline S. Clinton, and Anna L. Mickum, & Jereso Jemo

- 3. Mrs. Grove is authorized to make such assignments of work as may be required to effectuate the functions and duties of the new Section.
- 4. Subject to the restrictions of section 180.5 and to the provisions of section 180.6 of the BLM Manual, the Acting Chief, Correspondence Section, may sign correspondence, memoranda, and documents for the Director as indicated in paragraph one of the Manual.

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5. The function of the Stenographic Section is to provide necessary stenographic and typing assistance to all Divisions of the Washington Office. This Section will be headed by Mrs. Mabel V. Yates as Chief, Stenographic Section, and shall consist of the following employees:

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Rooney, William F.
Otly, Sara U.
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6. Under the assignment of work for the Stenographic Section, specials, such as replies to telegrams, teletypes, PRS's, and Congressionals (if made special by the Head of the Division) should not be sent to this Section for processing, but should be prepared by the Secretaries of the respective Divisions or Branches.

Requests for assistance from the Stenographic Section will be made only when an assignment cannot be otherwise performed by clerks, typists, or stenographers regularly assigned to the requesting division.

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Order No: 333

Subject: Bureau Representative on O. and C. Advisory Board.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 2(c) of Departmental Order No. 2450 of July 27, 1948, Daniel L. Goldy, Special Assistant to the Director, is hereby designated for a term of one year, as exofficio member of the O. and C. Advisory Board established by that order. He is also authorized to designate, pursuant to section 2(c), the staff secretary to the Advisory Board, and to approve the appointments by the Regional Administrator of members to serve, for a term of one year, on the District C. and C. Advisory Boards, pursuant to section 4(a) of the order.

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SUBPART C--DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

The last paragraph of section 50.503 contained in Order 325 of August 6, 1948, is amended to read as follows:

The managers of the above specified offices are also authorized to approve all bonds filed in connection with noncompetitive oil and gas leases, including collective bonds, and, with respect to non-producing, noncompetitive leases, to approve assignments thereof or royalty interests therein, of operating agreements and assignments of such agreements, and of subleases.

(R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201, 43 CFR 4.275)

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PART 50—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C—DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

The following subparagraph is added to paragraph (a) of section 50.451:

50,451 Functions with respect to various statutes. (a) * * *

(83) Determine the liability for trespass on the public lands in their respective regions, in accordance with the rules set forth in 43 CFR, Part 288, and the applicable court and Departmental decisions, and demand and accept payment of the amount determined to be due by reason of such trespass. This authority will become effective in the different regions on the dates shown below:

Region III ----- September 17, 1948
Region IV ----- October 4, 1948
Region V ----- September 17, 1948
Region VII ---- October 1, 1948

(43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201)

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^{1/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraphs in 43 CFR 4.275(a).

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DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

The following section is added:

50.452 Authority to designate employees to perform the functions of acting managers. The regional administrator of any region may authorize any qualified employee of the Bureau of Land Management in his region to perform the functions of the manager of a district land and survey office in his region in case of the death, resignation, absence, or sickness of the manager. However, such employee shall not decide or dispose of a contest or protest. He may not perform the functions of a manager until he has filed a bond in such penal sum as the regional administrator may fix and the bond has been accepted by the regional administrator. Each employee authorized to act under this section shall sign all documents and other papers under his pay roll title and act as manager.

Each such employee shall, by memoranda, advise his regional administrator of the beginning and of the termination of a period during which he performs the functions of manager. Copies of such memoranda shall be sent to the Director.

(43 CFR 4.277; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1946)

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New subparagraphs are added to paragraph (a) of section 50.451, as follows:

50,451 Functions with respect to various statutes.

- (21) Applications for coal licenses under section 8 of the act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 440; 30 U.S.C. 208) and the issuance and cancellation of such licenses.
- (36) Sales of isolated or rough and mountainous tracts under section 2455 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (48 Stat. 1269, 1274; 43 U.S.G. 1171), in accordance with existing policies.
- (42) Approval of any sale or contract for the sale of timber for expertation from Alaska, involving the disposal of an estimated stumpage volume of not to exceed 15,000,000 feet, board measure, and the readjustment of stumpage rates under such contract, under the act of April 12, 1926 (44 Stat. 242; 16 U.S.C. 616), and the renewal of any such contract.

^{1/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraphs in 43 GFR 4.275(a) and 4.275(b).

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- (42) Approval of any sale or contract for the sale of timber for exportation from Alaska, involving the disposal of an estimated stumpage volume of not to exceed 15,000,000 feet, board measure, and the readjustment of stumpage rates under such contract, under the act of April 12, 1926 (44 Stat. 242; 16 U.S.C. 616), and the renewal of any such contract.
- (43) Approval of any sale or contract for the sale of dead, down or damaged timber involving the disposal of an estimated stumpage volume of not to exceed 15,000,000 feet, board measure, under the act, of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 1015), as amended by the act of July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 890; 16 U.S.C. 614, 615).
- (46) Applications for the lease or sale of lands in the Natamuska Valley, Alaska, under the act of October 17, 1940 (54 Stat. 1191; 48 U.S.C. 353 note), including the approval of such applications, and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases,

(43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 V.S.C. 22, 43 V.S.C. 2, 1201)

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- (46) Applications for the lease or sale of lands in the Matanuska Valley, Alaska, under the act of October 17, 1940 (54 Stat. 1191; 48 U.S.C. 353 note), including the approval of such applications, and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.

 (43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201).

Paragraph (b) of section 50,451 authorizing land classification, is amended by adding thereto a new paragraph, as follows:

(2) As an isolated or rough and mountainous tract under section 2455 of the Revised Statutes as amended (48 Stat. 1269, 1274; 43 U.S.C. 1171).

DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

New subparagraphs are added to paragraph (a) of section 50.501, as follows:

50.501 Functions with respect to various statutes.

(21) Applications for coal licenses under section 8 of the act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 440; 30 U.S.C. 205) and the issuance and cancellation of such licenses.

^{2/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraphs in 43 CFR 4.275(a) 4.275(b).



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PART 57-DOCUMENTS

FEDERAL REGISTER DOCUMENTS

PROCLAMATIONS, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PUBLIC LAND ORDERS, ETC.

The following sections are added:

57.131. Statement as to the need for land classification to be made in certain orders. Where public land is restored or opened, except in Alaska, the following statement will be made in the order of restoration or opening, whenever appropriate, immediately following the description of the lands:

"No application for these lands may be allowed under the homestead, small tract, desert land," or any other nonmineral public land laws, unless the land has already been classified as valuable or suitable for such type of application or shall be so classified upon consideration of an application."

In the case of public lands in Alaska, the following statement, when appropriate, will be made in the order of restoration or opening, immediately following the description of the lands:

"No application for these lands may be allowed under the Small Tract Act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609; 43 U.S.C. 682a), unless the land has already been classified as valuable or suitable for such type of application or shall be so classified upon consideration of an application."

^{1/} The statement will not be made where classification is/required, as in openings of farm units and lands in national forests.

^{2/} The words "desert land" will be omitted in orders involving lands in States in which the desert land laws are not applicable.

^{3/} The statement will not be made where the land is restored for the benefit of a particular applicant.

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57.132 Place in orders of restoration or opening for description of land. The land descriptions will be placed near the commencement of all orders of restoration or opening. Form 4-182 will be used for all such orders, including notices of the filing of plats, and any gap in the reading matter between the end of the land description and the beginning of the printed page following will be filled in bh ink lines in the form of a "Z". Where the insertion of an additional page is necessary, because of a lengthy description, that page will be given the number of the preceding page, followed by the letter "a".

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PART 18--APPEALS

Regional Office Procedure
The following text is added:

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Appeals from decisions of the managers of the district land offices and other field officers of this Bureau to the Director and appeals from decisions of the district graziers (range managers) to an examiner in grazing district cases, together with copies of the decisions on which the appeals are based, will be forwarded by the officers with whom the appeals are filed to the proper regional administrator, for consideration as to whether any facts shown in the appeals are sufficient to warrant the granting of any or all of the relief requested. Such examination will be made before the appeals are transmitted to the Director, or the examiner. All appeals must be examined promptly in the office of the regional administrator and appropriate action must be taken without delay.

Where, upon the examination of an appeal, the regional administrator determines that it has merit, and that the relief requested should be granted in whole or in part, he will inform the appellant that if he requests his appeal to be withdrawn, the regional administrator will have the decision modified to the extent indicated in his letter. This letter should state that if no reply is received within fifteen days after receipt, the appeal will be transmitted for appropriate action without further delay. Where the regional administrator is of the opinion that the decision should not be modified, the appeal must be forwarded to the Director or to the examiner, as the case may be.

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Section 50.355, added by Order 316 of July 8, 1948 is amended to read as follows:

Section, Branch of Land Disposal, with respect to the furnishing of copies of records. The Chief of the Patents Section, Branch of Land Disposal, and in his absence, the Acting Chief of the Section, are authorized to make and furnish copies and exemplifications of patents, plats and other records of the Bureau.

(R.S. 459, 43 U.S.C. 6; Order 2430, May 18, 1948)

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PART 57-DOCUMENTS

FEDERAL REGISTER DOCUMENTS

PROCLAMATIONS, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PUBLIC LAND ORDERS, ETC.

Part 57.119 is amended to read as follows:

57.119 Promulgation of proclamations, Executive Orders, public land orders, and departmental and bureau orders affecting the public lands. The following will constitute the procedure for promulgating proclamations, Executive orders, public land orders, and departmental and bureau orders affecting the public lands:

- (a) One copy of each order and any separate notice relating to such order will be prepared for transmittal to the district land office, or each district land office if more than one. Such copies will be transmitted by a form letter requiring acknowledgement, which will be sent out from the office of the Assistant Director at the same time that the original and three certified copies of the order are sent to The National Archives for publication in the Federal Register.
- (b) A copy of the memorandum to the district land office will be sent to the Regional Administrator in each case.

Where such orders affect lands in Alaska, additional copies of the memorandum will be furnished as follows:

- (1) One copy to the Regional Administrator, Region VII.
- (2) One copy to the Regional Cadastral Engineer.
- (3) One copy to the Governor of Alaska.
- (4) One copy to the Division of Territories and Island Possessions.
- (c) After the order has been published in the Federal Register, the Chief of the Branch in which it was initiated will notify the agency requesting the issuance of the order and any other interested agencies by memorandum, giving the date and page of the Federal Register in which it appears.

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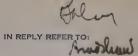
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Order No. 342

Bureau of Land Management Manual

Part 189 -- Status of Lands

Part 189 of the BLM Manual is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

189.6 Status reports on new applications. After a new application has been posted on the tract books by the posting clerk in the Branch of Land Status, the clerk will attach to the case a copy of Form 4-001a (Status Sheet), properly filled out. The status clerks will then furnish the status of the lands involved, as shown on the tract books, thereafter forwarding the case to the appropriate adjudicating branch.

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Region VI, with Mr. H. S. Price as Regional Administrator, was established on September 13. Pursuant to this establishment, all operational matters pertaining to lands in the States, of Iowa and Missouri will henceforth be handled by the Region instead of Region III as formerly assigned.

Matters pertaining to the States of Arkansas and Louisiana will also be handled by the new region instead of by Region V to which they were formerly assigned.

Cases in connection with which field examination has already been made and final action can be taken should be completed by the regions to which these States were originally assigned. All other pending cases and matters should be referred promptly to Mr. Price at Room 3544 Interior Building. As soon as practical, files in the regions pertaining to the States transferred to Region VI should be boxed and shipped to Washington.

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PART 81--GRAZING

LEASES UNDER THE TAYLOR GRAZING ACT

Sections 81.1 through 81.5 and section 81.9 of Part 81 are revoked and the following sections are added:

81.1 Processing of grazing leases. The two basic concepts in the Bureaus procedure for handling grazing lease applications are: (1) applications may be filed in any office of the Bureau in the State in which the land is situated, and (2) leases will be issued by employees authorized by the Director to act as Signing Officers and designated by the Regional Administrators to act in certain areas.

Land status, of course, must be obtained. Therefore, at some time the application must pass through a district land office for a status check. It has been decided that grazing leases should bear a regular serial number. Therefore the procedure provides a method whereby serial numbers are assigned by district land offices.

It is thought further that the office in which an application is filed may well help expedite handling of a case by detecting and calling to the applicant's attention certain obvious errors. Consequently, the procedure provides a method by which the office in which an application is filed may call the applicant's attention to errors even though its only other function is to send the case on to the signing officer through designated channels.

- 81.2 Applications for grazing leases; action by offices in which applications are filed. (a) Action by office other than that of signing officer. The officer receiving the application if he is not the signing officer, will:
- (1) examine the application to determine if a complete showing has been made by the applicant, as required by the regulations (43 CFR Part 160);

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- (2) transmit two copies of the application to the signing officer for the area in which the lands applied for are located. The other copy of the application will be routed to the signing officer through the district land office or offices having status of the lands for a report of status, notation of the filing of the application in the records of the district land office and assignment of a serial number. Where copies of the application must be routed through two district land offices, the officer with whom the application is filed will specify the office which will assign a serial number to the application; 1
- (3)(i) require, if the application is not properly executed or if it is otherwise irregular, the applicant to cure the deficiencies and forward direct to the office of the signing officer, within thirty days after receipt of the notice, the necessary papers or information required by the notice; 2/or
- (3) (ii) inform the applicant of the reference of the application to the signing officer and that further inquiries concerning the application should be made direct to the office of the signing officer;
- (b) Action by signing officer for the area, with whom the application if filed. (1) If he is not a manager of a land office having status, he will obtain status and a serial number from the proper land office and will follow steps (1) and (3)(i) under (a) above.
- (2) If he is the manager of a land office having status he will assign a serial number and follow steps (1) and (3)(i) above, clearing with other land offices if necessary.
- 81.3 Protests. Protests against the approval of an application for grazing lease, if not filed in the office of the signing officer, will be forwarded to his office in triplicate by the officer receiving such protests.

^{1/} If the filing office is a land office having status for all or part of the lands it will assign the serial number to the application and send report of status along with the application.

^{2/} If the filing office is a land office having status for all of the lands and its records show that none of the land is subject to grazing leasing, it will issue a decision rejecting the application.

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- 81.4 Action by signing officer when applications are received from other field offices. The signing officer, upon receipt of applications originally filed in other field offices, will:
- (1) require an applicant to correct, in the event the office receiving the application failed to do so, any deficiencies in the application within thirty days after receipt of notice;
- (2) reject any application if deficiencies therein are not corrected within thirty days after receipt of notice by applicant.
- 81.5 Action by signing officer based on report of status.
 (a) Lands not subject to grazing leasing. If the report of status indicates that the lands applied for, or any part thereof, are not subject to grazing leasing as where such lands are in an allowed entry, otherwise appropriated or reserved, or not public lands, the signing officer will reject the application as to the lands not so available for grazing leasing.
- (b) Conflicting use applications; reference to the regional administrator. If the status of the lands covered by an application for a grazing lease indicate that an application for a conflicting use or disposal has been filed with respect thereto, the matter will be referred by the signing officer to the regional administrator for a determination of the most suitable use of such lands who, after such determination, will notify the signing officer and the manager of the district land office in which the conflicting use or disposal application was filed as to his determination and the action to be taken on the applications in accordance therewith.
- (c) Field examination. If an application is regular as to form and the report of status indicates that all or part of the lands applied for are subject to grazing leasing, the signing officer will refer the application together with any conflicting applications for a grazing lease and any protests to an officer designated to make the field examination.
- 81.6 Distribution of copies of application. A signing officer, or a manager who rejects an application, will retain original copy for his files, and transmit duplicate copy to the egional administrator.
- 81.7 Offer and Issuance of lease. When the report of field examination is received, the signing officer will obtain a new and final report of land status with respect to the lands covered by each application, unless he decides, in view of the particular circumstances in each case, that a further report of land status is unnecessary.

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After consideration of the field report and determining that no conflicting use applications have been filed and giving due consideration to additional conflicting application for a grazing lease if any, that may have been received up to the time final status is obtained, the signing officer will determine the successful applicant or applicants for the lands applied for and transmit the lease forms containing appropriate conditions and stipulations to such applicant or applicants, together with a notice that the lease must be executed by the applicant within fifteen days from the receipt of such notice and, if so exeucuted, the lease must be returned within such period to the signing officer accompanied by a check payable to the order of the Treasurer of the United States in an amount equal to first year's rental. The time for execution and return of the lease may be extended by the signing officer for good cause. If the lease is not executed and returned within the time allowed, the signing officer will reject the application. At the time of transmittal of the lease to the applicant, the signing officer will also notify conflicting applicants and any protestants of the transmittal of the lease to the successful applicant and that the conflicting applications and protests are being held for rejection if no appeal is filed with the Director through the signing officer within thirty days after the receipt of such notice. After the receipt of the executed lease, the signing officer, if no appeals have been filed by conflicting applicants or any protestants, within the time allowed them, will execute the lease in behalf of the United States and finally reject or deny conflicting applications and protests and reject any new conflicting application filed subsequent to the time when the lease was sent to the successful applicant for execution. If an appeal is filed, the signing officer will transmit to the Director through the regional administrator the complete record involving the tracts in dispute and will suspend execution of the lease until the appealis decided. The regional administrator will act upon the appeal in accordance with sections 18.51 et seq, inclusive, of this Manual.

- 81.8 Distribution of copies of executed leases. The signing officer will distribute copies of the executed lease as follows: original to lessee; duplicate for his files; triplicate to Washington office through the district land office or offices having status of the landsfor notation in the land records; and quadruplicate to regional administrator together with the check or other money instrument covering first year's rental. If the annual rental under the lease is more than \$300.00, a signed copy bearing a contract number will be forwarded by the regional administrator to the Comptroller General, Washington 25, D.C.
- Administrator. The signing officer will maintain a tickler system by which he will be enabled to send to each holder of an outstanding lease at least sixty days before annual rental payment is due under the lease, a notice of annual rental due and demand for payment therefor, such payment to be made on or before the first day of the next rental period.

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A copy of such notice will be sent to the regional administrator. The notice will provide that payment of such rental shall be sent to the office of the regional administrator. If payment is not made within the time provided, the regional administrator will by decision require such payment to be made within thirty days and serve a copy of such notice on the lessee by registered mail. If the lessee fails to respond to such demand, the regional administrator will direct the signing officer to issue notice of intention to cancel the lease as provided in the regulations (43 CFR Part 160).

- 81.10 Notice of expiration of lease; second notice; closing case in absence of petition for renewal. The signing officer will maintain a tickler system by which he will be enabled to send to each lease holding an outstanding lease a notice of the expiration date of such lease approximately 100 days prior to the expiration of each lease. The notice will be on Form 4-725 and accompanied by Form 4-725a "Petition for Renewal of Grazing Lease." If at the end of thirty days from the date of notice to a lessee, no petition for renewal has been filed, the signing officer will send a second and final notice by registered mail. If no petition for renewal has been filed on or before the expiration date of the lease, the signing officer, by decision, will close the case and forward, through the district land office or offices having status of the lands for notation in the land records, a copy of the decision to the Washington Office.
- 81.11 Petition for renewal; renewal lease. Petition for renewal of a lease filed on Form 4-725a will be handled under the same procedure as required in an original application. If it appears that a renewal lease should be issued, it will be dated as of the day following the termination of the expired lease and the lessee will be required to pay rental from that date.
- 81.12 Agreements with other agencies. Special agreements have been entered into with the Farm Credit Administration and the Bureau of Reclamation concerning the execution and pledging of leases. Copies of the agreements are included in Appendix G of the Bureau of Land Management Manual.
- 81.13 Stipulations required in leasing of reserved or withdrawn lands. Section 160.8 of 43 CFR, indicates that certain withdrawn and reserved lands may be leased, provided the prescribed stipulations are inserted in the lease. The following stipulations have been prescribed:

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- (a) Vanadium. "The lessee agrees to (1) save harmless the United States and its agents, present or future, from any liability whatsoever from damages to or loss of property and from injury to or death of animals that may occur as a result of any extraction and removal of vanadium, (2) exercise the rights herein granted in such a manner as not to interfere with the exploration and development, for, and the mining, extraction and removal of vanadium, (3) restrict at all times the number of animals on the land to such a number as can find adequate pasturage without interfering with vanadium operations."
- (b) Stock-driveway. "The lessee will permit the public to use any part of the lands included in this lease, which are subject to a withdrawal for stock driveway purposes under the Act of December 29, 1916 (39 Stat. 862, 865, 43 U.S.C. sec. 300), for the purposes for which withdrawn, in accordance with the provisions of section 10 of the above act, or make available an alternative comparable route of no greater difficulty for stock driveway use across any other lands under his control without charge."
- (c) Ceded Indian. "This lease shall automatically terminate on all ceded Indian lands described in this lease on the date such lands are restored to and made a part of an established Indian Reservation."
- (d) Public water reserve. "The lessee further agrees that this lease is accepted upon the condition and subject to the right of the United States to issue permits to such persons as it may designate to enter the with their livestock for the purpose of watering such livestock."
- (e) Federal Power Reserve. "That the issuance of this grazing lease shall in no wise diminish or affect the jurisdiction of the Federal Power Commission at any time to issue permits or licenses pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Power Act for the

and that the issuance by the Federal Power Commission of a license shall immediately and automatically terminate this grazing lease as to all lands within the project area described in such license."

- (f) Addition to forest. (Usually in aid of legislation). "The lands in this lease are in an area temporarily withdrawn for possible addition to a national forest, and, in the event they are added to the national forest the lease will automatically terminate as to such lands on the next anniversary thereof following such inclusion."
- (g) Known oil and gas structure. "That the lessee further agrees to (1) save harmless the United States and its lessees, present or future, under the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920

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(41 Stat. 437), as amended, from any liability whatsoever for damages to or loss of property and for injury to or death of animals, if such damage, loss, injury, or death occurs in the exercise of any rights reserved by the lessor as hereinunder set forth, and results from or is traceable to the occupancy or use by the mineral lessee of the lands included in this lease: (2) exercise the rights granted hereunder in such manner as to avoid interferences with any operations pursuant to any mineral lease heretofore or hereafter issued by the United States under said Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, including among other things, interferences with the use of or damages to pipe lines, equipment, buildings and their appurtenances and sources of water supply incidental to such operations; (3) restrict at all times the number of animals on the lands covered hereby to such number as can find adequate pasturage without interfering with operations under the Act of February 25, 1920, as amended."

(h) Reservoir site. "This lease is granted subject to the right of the United States, its permittees or licensees, to enter upon, take, or use any or all of the for reservoir purposes."

81.14 Areas withdrawn for other Departments. Where grazing is permitted on areas withdrawn for the use of a Department pursuant to an agreement with such Department, the lease should include the stipulations required by such agreement.

81.15 Action on applications for a permit or a cooperative agreement to construct and maintain range improvements on lease lands. Applications for a permit or a cooperative agreement to construct and maintain range improvements on leased lands will be transmitted by the officer receiving such applications to the authorized signing officer designated by the regional administrator to act in a specified area for appropriate action, in accordance with the regulations.

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DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

A new paragraph is added to paragraph (a) of section 50.451 as follows:

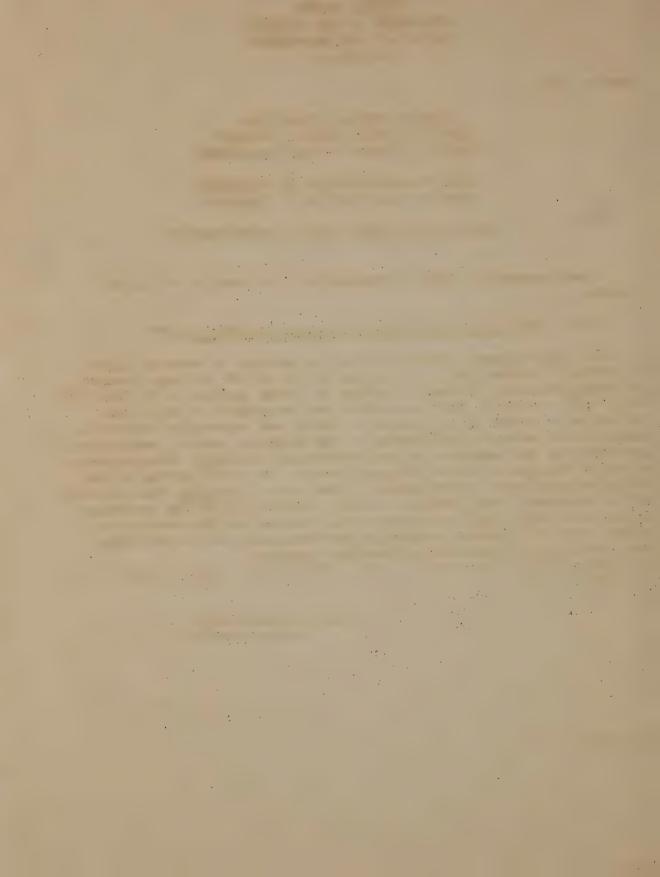
50.451 Functions with respect to various statutes (a) ***

(14) Appointment of Mineral Surveyors pursuant to section 2334 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 39) and 43 CFR 185.50, and appointments of Deputy Surveyors for special surveys in Alaska pursuant to 43 CFR 61.14, 64.5, 65.21, and 81.8, and the approval and acceptance of their bonds; initiation of action in all classes of survey and resurvey of the public lands by submission to the Director of the technical special instructions providing for the execution of such surveys and resurveys, accompanied by a copy of the application or request therefor, or a full showing of the administrative needs of this Bureau in the matter: Provided, That approval by the Director of the technical special instructions for the execution of the work shall constitute formal authorization for the survey or resurvey and field work in connection therewith shall not be undertaken until such special instructions have been approved.

(43 CFR 4.275 (a) (14); R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22; 43 U.S.C. 2 1201).

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50.482 Functions with respect to areas not in land districts.

The regional administrators may act for the Director in accordance with the applicable regulations and procedures in the classes of matters enumerated in sections 50.451 and 50.501 with respect to lands in their respective regions which are not in a land district, unless the Director determines otherwise in any particular matter, subject in any event to an appeal to the Secretary pursuant to the Rules of Practice (43 CFR, Part 221). Matters which are required by law or regulation to be filed only in a district land office shall, with respect to such lands, be filed in the Bureau of Land Management, Washington 25, D. C., which will furnish the appropriate regional administrator with the current tract book status.

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Paragraph (b) of section 50.451 authorizing land classification, is amended by adding thereto a new paragraph, as follows:

(2) As an isolated or rough and mountainous tract under section 2455 of the Revised Statutes as amended (48 Stat. 1269, 1274; 43 U.S.C. 1171).

DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

New subparagraphs are added to paragraph (a) of section 50,501, as follows:

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50.501 Functions with respect to various statutes. (a) * * *

- (21) Applications for coal licenses under section 8 of the act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 440; 30 U.S.C. 208) and the issuance and cancellation of such licenses.
 - (36) Sales of isolated or rough and mountainous tracts under section 2455 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (48 Stat. 1269, 1274; 43 U.S.C. 1171), in accordance with existing policies.
 - (42) Approval of any sale or contract for the sale of timber for exportation from Alaska, involving the disposal of an estimated stumpage volume of not to exceed 15,000,000 feet, board measure, and the readjustment of stumpage rates under such contract, under the act of April 12, 1926 (44 Stat. 242; 16 U.S.C. 616), and the renewal of any such contract.
 - (43) Approval of any sale or contract for the sale of dead, down or damaged timber involving the disposal of an estimated stumpage volume of not to exceed 15,000,000 feet, board measure, under the act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat, 1015), as amended by the act of July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 890; 16 U.S.C. 614, 615).
 - (46) Applications for the lease or sale of lands in the Matanuska Valley, Alaska, under the act of October 17, 1940 (54 Stat. 1191; 48 U.S.C. 353 note), including the approval of such applications, and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.

(43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201)

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(43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201).

^{1/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraphs in 43 CFR 4,275(a) and 4,275(b).



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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 174--RIGHTS-OF-WAY

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Section 174.4 is revoked and new sections are added as follows:

Sec. 174.4 Action by Manager on application. (a) Recordation. Upon receipt of an application the Manager will note thereon and on the accompanying maps, a current serial number, name of office and date of filing, and will post the application on the tract book records, noting opposite each legal subdivision of the unpatented public lands or such patented lands acquired by the United States, affected by the right-of-way or site, the serial number, date of filing and the name of the applicant.

- (b) Rejection. The Manager will reject the application by a decision stating the facts and return the maps to the applicant if upon examination of the tract books and other related records, it is found:
 - (1) That neither unpatented lands nor patented lands acquired by the United States are affected, or
 - (2) That the right-of-way affects lands within a reservation under the jurisdiction of another Department and the law invoked is administered by such Department.
- (c) Examination. If the status of the land does not require rejection as provided in (b) supra, and does not of itself preclude the approval of the right-of-way, the duplicate application and duplicate map will then be transmitted to the Washington office together with a status report. Examination of the application will then be made as to its legal and factual sufficiency, observing carefully the following important key points:
 - (1) whether the law invoked is proper and applicable.
 - (2) proper evidence of the qualification of the applicant has been furnished, such as citizenship, articles

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of association or incorporation where required; a claim of naturalization should be verified, where possible, through the appropriate field office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, or, if such clearance is not possible, by letter (Form 4-439), to the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, 19th and Mast Capitol Streets, Washington, D. C.

- (3) the maps sufficiently show the location of the right-of-way or site with relation to the public land surveys so as to enable a competent engineer or surveyor to locate the same on the ground and that the statement of the engineer or surveyor who made the survey and the certificate of the applicant are inscribed on the maps or have been furnished on separate papers. The check of the maps as to location will be made by a Bureau cadastral engineer if one is readily available to the District Land Office.
- (4) the applicant has furnished evidence of water rights where the right-of-way or site involves the diversion or storage of water, and
- year rental charge, if required under the regulations.
- (d) Additional showing, if required. If by reason of the facts developed under (c) sugra, the application is found to be defective, the Manager will by decision over his signature, require the applicant to make such additional requirements as may be necessary to cure the defects. The decision should allow the usual 30 day period within which to comply or to appeal, and provide that upon failure to do so the application will be rejected and the case closed. If an appeal is filed it will be transmitted to the Director. Should no action be taken or appeal filed by the applicant, the Manager will after due notice of service, reject the application and notify the Director of the action taken.
- (e) Reports. In the consideration of an application the Manager will request reports from other Government bureaus and agencies, or the officer or employee designated by such bureau or agencies to act in such natters in the area involved as follows:

Bureau of Reclamation. On all applications affecting lands withdrawn for reclamation purposes.

Geological Survey. On applications affecting lands in a Federal Power Project, power site reserve, or power

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site classification, to which the Federal Power Commission's general determination of April 17, 1922 (43 CFR 103.8), is not applicable.

Fish and Wildlife Service. On all applications affecting lands withdrawn or reserved for the use of or administration by the Fish and Wildlife Service.

National Park Service. On all applications affecting lands in national parks and monuments or other reservation of the United States for the use of or administration by the National Park Service.

Division of Power or such power agency as it may designate for the area involved. On all applications for the development or transmission of electric power.

Regional Administrators. On all applications affecting lands in grazing districts and reconveyed Coos Bay Magon Road or revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands, or lands in reservations or withdrawals under the administration and control of the Bureau of Land Management.

Other Department or agency. On applications involving lands included in withdrawals or reservations under the control and administration of any department or agency outside of the Department of the Interior, provided, the law under which the right-of-way or site is applied for authorizes the approval thereof by this Department.

174.5 Time schedule for making reports to the Manager on applications. A period of 15 days from the date of the report request will be allowed the agencies or bureaus of this Department within which to submit its report to the Manager, as to whether it has any objection to the approval of the right-of-way or site, or to request additional time within which to do so. If the report is not made or additional time requested within the period allowed, the Manager

or additional time requested within the period allowed, the Manager will proceed to process the application on its merits and will notify such bureau or agency failing to report, that unless reply is made within 10 days, the right-of-way or site will, in the absence of other objection, be approved without further notice.

174.6 Approval of right-of-way or site. When all necessary reports have been received and the application is completed in conformity with the law and regulations, the Lanager will in the absence of any objection of record, approve the right-of-way or site by a formal decision over his signature. The decision will constitute the

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permit or easement. If the annual rental charge is more than \$300, the decision shall be issued in duplicate. (See Section 39.5 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual).

The decision should contain a reference to all pertinent matters, for example: (a) The name of the applicant (b) Description of the land covered by the permit, (c) The act and regulations invoked, (d) The reservations required by law, (e) Stipulations, if any, (f) The rental charges, if any, and (g) Should state that the approval is subject to present and future regulations which may be issued governing rights-of-way or site for the particular project.

- 174.7 Action on approved right-of-way or site. Upon the approval of the right-of-way or site, the Manager will make proper notation on his tract books and other records, and will send a copy of the decision approving the right-of-way or site to the permittee or grantee, and a copy to the Director. He will also transmit a copy of the decision to any other bureau or agency having control and administration of the lands affected. In the case of a right-of-way for the transmission of electric power, he will send two copies of the decision and two print copies of the map to the Geological Survey. The original decision together with the original map will be retained by the Manager for the files of his office.
- 174.8 Construction in advance of permit or easement. Upon the receipt of a request for permission to proceed with construction of a project in advance of approval of a permit or easement for the right-of-way or site, the kanager will take the following action:
- (a) Make proper notation on his records of the date of filing, name of applicant and assign thereto an appropriate miscellaneous file number, but will not give it a serial number unless accompanied by a formal application for the right-of-way or site. If and when the formal application is subsequently filed, the original request with other related papers will then be assembled with the formal application under a current serial number.
- (b) Examine tract book and other records and ascertain the status of the lands involved.
- (c) If the land is unappropriated, but reserved or withdrawn for the use of or administration by the National Park Service, the Fish and Mildlife Service, or the Bureau of Reclamation (lands withdrawn for reclamation purposes), and the request for advance construction was received other than from or through such agency with its clearance, the Manager will call upon the interested agency or agencies, or such officer or employee as the agency may designate to handle this class of work in the area involved, for the required clearance.

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The agency or its designated employee will be allowed 15 days from the date of the request for clearance within which to make reply to the Manager as to whether or not there is any objection to the authorization of the advance construction, or to request for additional time in which to do so. If reply is not made within the time allowed, the Manager will, in the absence of any objection give permission for the advance construction in the manner set forth in paragraph (e), infra.

- (d) If, on examination of the records it is found that the status of the land affected is such as to preclude the approval of the right-of-way or site, such as entered or patented lands or reserved lands under the jurisdiction of another Department, the Manager will deny the request by letter stating the facts and reasons therefor.
- (e) If the lands are vacant and unappropriated or unappropriated but reserved or withdrawn under the jurisdiction of this Department, over which a right-of-way for the project may be approved, and clearance has been obtained from the interested agency or agencies having control and administration of the lands, the Manager will give permission for the advance construction by letter over his signature. A copy of the letter will be sent to the Director, and a copy to the interested agency or agencies.

The letter authorizing advance construction should specifically state that construction is done at the applicant's own risk, but such construction will not prejudice consideration (of the application if one has been filed) of an application for the right-of-way or site if timely filed following completion of construction or definite location whichever is earlier, provided full and prompt compliance is made with all requirements laid down by the Department, including the payment of rental charges, if required, which starts from the date permission is given for construction, as a condition to the granting of the permit or easement.

174.9 Unauthorized use of right-of-way. Upon receipt by the Manager of a report as the result of a field investigation or he is otherwise informed that sublic lands are being occupied and used for right-of-way purposes without proper authority, he will immediately notify, by registered mail, the party so occupying the land that an

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application must be filed for permission to use the right-of-way and to make payment for the unauthorized use of the land at the rate of 5 per mile or fraction thereof per annum, beginning from the date of entry on the land for construction up to and including the first full calendar year following the date of the filing of the application.

The party so occupying the land should be allowed 30 days from receipt of notice within which to comply with the requirement or to appeal. If no action is taken within the time allowed, the lanager will transmit the entire record to the Regional Administrator for appropriate action for the protection of the Government's interest.

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WASHINGTON

November 15, 1948

Order No. 348

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS
TITLE 43--PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR
CHAPTER I--BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 50-ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE NOV 2 2 1948 SUBPART C-DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

A new subparagraph (1) is added to paragraph (a) of section 50.451, to read as follows:

50.451 Functions with respect to various statutes (a) * * * (1) Applications to lease public lands for grazing purposes under section 15 of the act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1275; 43 U.S.C. 315m), as amended, and the issuance, modification, renewal, assignment, or cancellation of such leases, the disposition of protests and conflicting applications, the issuance of permits or the execution of cooperative agreements for the construction and maintenance of improvements on lands so leased, and determinations as to the value of such improvements. The authority granted to the Director by this subparagraph may be redelegated by him to any employee of the Bureau of Land Management by an order published in the Federal Register. (R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201)

DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

A new subparagraph (1) is added to paragraph (a) of section 50.501 to read as follows:

50.501 Functions with respect to various statutes (a) * * * (1) (See 50.601)

DELEGATION TO CLASSES OF IMPLOYEES IN SPECIFIED MATTERS

A new section is added as follows:

50.601 Grazing leases; permits and cooperative agreements in connection with lands under section 15 grazing leases. The managers of district land offices, district graziers, and district foresters may act, with respect to areas designated by the regional administrator, as signing officers in relation to the following classes of matters in accordance with applicable regulations and procedures, without obtaining the approval of the Director or regional administrator, unless the Director or regional administrator in any particular matter determines, otherwise, subject in any event to an appeal to the Director and from his decision to the

Secretary in accordance with the rules of practice:

Applications to lease public lands for grazing purposes under section 15 of the act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1275; 43 U.S.C. 315m). as amended, and the issuance, modification, renewal, assignment, or cancellation of such leases, the disposition of protests and conflicting applications, the issuance of permits or the execution of cooperative agreements for the construction and maintenance of improvements on lands so leased, and determinations as to the value of such improvements.

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PART 50-ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE

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DELEGATIONS TO THE MANAGERS

Section 50.503 is amended by deleting from the section headnote the words "in specified States" and by adding to the list of offices and dates given in the section the following:

50.503 <u>Managers of certain district land offices</u>. * * *

Spokane, Washington ---- November 10, 1948

Anchorage, Alaska ---- November 10, 1948

(43 CFR 4.275; R.S. 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201)

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Officials of the Bureau of Land Management authorized to issue travel orders, may authorize a per diem allowance, not to exceed the following rates, in lieu of subsistence expenses. See BLM Manual 163.1 and the Standardized Government Travel Regulations.

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| | <u>United States</u> | Alaska | | |
| Travel other than by boat or privately owned trailer | \$6.00 | \$8.00 | | |
| Travel by privately owned trailer, use o which must be authorized in advance | 2.50 | 2.50 | | |
| Travel by boat when meals and lodgings a included in cost of transportation | 3.50 | 3.50 | | |
| Travel by boat when meals and lodgings a not included in cost of transportation | 6.00 | 8.00 | | |

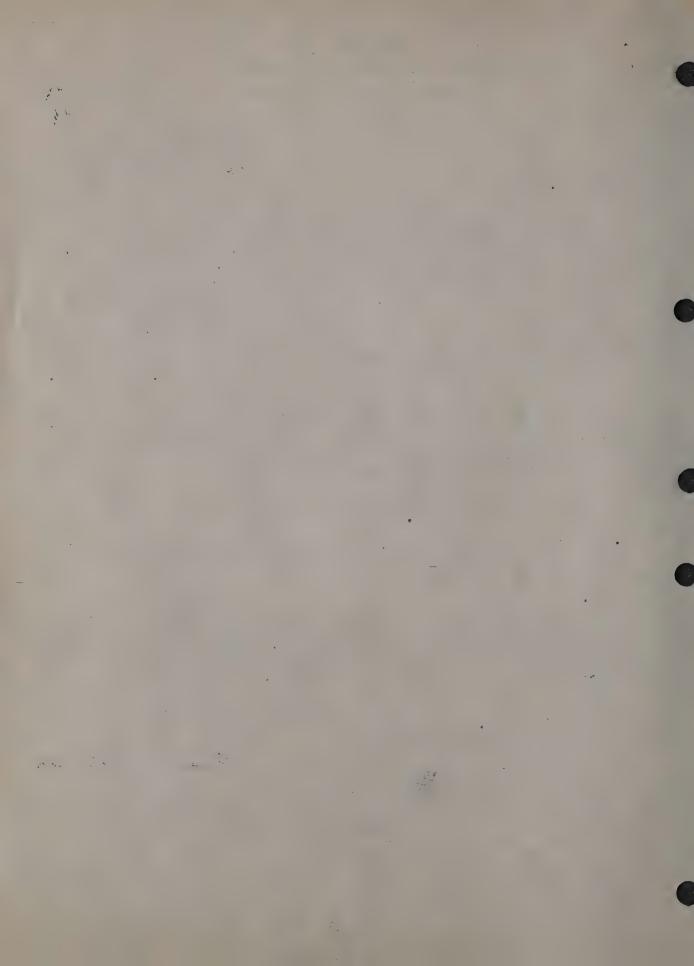
In accordance with paragraph 47(a) of the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, one-fifth of the per diem rate authorized will be deducted for each meal and/or lodgings furnished without charge to the Government.

The foregoing per diem rates represent the <u>maximum</u> that may be allowed by the authorized official, not the minimum. It is the responsibility of such official to see that travel orders authorize only such per diem rates as are justified by the nature of the travel.

This order supersedes all other previous instructions or orders in conflict herewith.

Director

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PART 137 - PRACTICE

PROCEDURE IN THE LAND REGIONS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The following new section is added:

137.101 Adjudication of conflicting applications involving different adjudicating Officers.

For the purpose of this section the Bureau will be considered to have the following levels of authority: (1) Director's Office, (2) Regional Administrator's Offices and (3) Field Offices.

Whenever a conflict is found to exist among applications and the determination as to whether or not the applications should be granted rests with different officers of the Bureau on the same level of authority, the resolution of the conflict shall be made by the head of the office on the next higher level of authority.

If the determination as to whether or not each application should be granted rests with officers on different levels of authority, the conflict shall be determined by the officer on the higher level of authority.

Officers and employees will notify promptly other officers and employees concerned when a conflict is discovered.

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The following amends section 66.1 and is substituted therefor.

Part 66 -- FILE NUMBERS OR SYMBOLS

USE OF FILE NUMBERS OR SYMBOLS

Sec. 66.1 File numbers and symbols for use on correspondence.

The file reference for letters, teletypes, and decisions will be the miscellaneous or serial number and the division designation. The initials of the writer will be typed on correspondence to indicate the division or branch of origin and to facilitate routing of answers to or inquiries concerning correspondence originating in the Bureau. In the case of letters, decisions, etc., the key reference will be placed in the upper right hand corner of the communication under the caption "In reply refer to:", as follows:

> Cheyenne 059737 "ADM:LTM" (Case letter) "AP . EBC" (Miscellaneous letter)

In the case of telegraph and teletype communications, the file reference should be written in parenthesis at the end of each message and will be transmitted as a part of the message, as follows:

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The following key letters by divisions and branches will hereafter be used, and code letters heretofore used to identify divisions not consistent with this order are hereby abolished.

Assignment of key letters to offices and divisions.

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| Branch of Administrative Services | AS |
| Branch of Budget and Finances | AF |
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PART 171 - REVIEW OF PAPERS

WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE

REVIEW PROCEDURE

Sec. 171.1 Responsibility of examiners and reviewers.

The responsibility of examiners and reviewers for papers surnamed by them will be as follows:

- (a) The examiner is responsible for a careful examination and accurate finding and statement of the facts as disclosed by the record.
- (b) The chief of the division, or the division reviewer, is responsible for the regularity of proceedings in the consideration of the case, the manner in which the paper is framed, the matter of the statement of facts and citations of law, and the final conclusion therein.
- (c) The reviewer in the Law Division is responsible for the final revision of the paper, the correct statement of the legal proposition involved, the accurate citation of statutes and authorities, and the orderly and logical statement of the reasoning by which the conclusion is reached.
- involved, all decisions closing cases after notice to, and default by, the party, all decisions taking action on applications for noncompetitive oil and gas leases under the Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437, 30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.), as amended, and all noncompetitive oil and gas lease forms after execution under that act by the applicants, will receive final review in the division in which they originate. All matters of the classes mentioned involving new or unusual questions of law, all other decisions, documents and letters prepared in the Washington office involving questions of law, all decisions on appeals to the Director, and all documents which must be published in the Federal Register (see sec. 57.1), will receive final legal approval in the Law Division in accordance with the following procedure:

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(a) Each attorney in the Law Division, with respect to the work of the division or divisions assigned to him, shall give final legal approval on matters in which the Secretary has delegated his authority to the Director and which fallwithin established legal precedent and policy or which follow an approved form.

The matters specified in paragraphs (b) (c) and (d) with the exceptions there noted, are excluded from the provisions of these paragraphs.

- (b) The following matters, after review by the proper attorney in the Law Division, will be routed to the Assistant Chief Counsel:
 - 1. Orders withdrawing or opening public lands, except orders of the following classes where they contain the usual veterans preferences provision: (i) those restoring lands within national forests to homestead entry under the Act of June 11, 1906, as amended (16 U.S.C. sec. 506) and orders revoking such restoration, (ii) those opening to entry lands of the United States reserved for powerpurposes under section 24 of the Federal Power Act of June 10, 1920 (16 U.S.C. sec. 818), subject to the restrictions specified by the Federal Power Commission, (iii) notices of filing of plats of survey or resurvey (lv) orders opening lands conveyed to the United States in an exchange and (v) orders other than those mentioned opening public lands to entry, when such orders are prepared for the signature of the Director.
 - 2. The construction or interpretation of laws relating to fiscal or personnel matters.
 - 3. Atomic energy, where the policy has not been defined.
 - 4. Appeals from decisions of the Director.
 - 5. Matters which involve novel questions of law.
 - 6. O. and C. timber sale contracts and exchanges.
 - 7. Sustained yield units and cooperative agreements.
 - 8. Issuance of corrective patents.
 - 9. Surveys of omitted areas.
 - 10. Repayments and other cases originating in the Accounts Division.
 - 11. Oil and gas unit, communitization and cooperative agreements.
 - 12. All matters originating in the Geological Survey.

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- 13. The acceptance of bids in connection with, and the issuance of, competitive oil and gas leases.
- 14. Helium, potash, phosphate, sulphur, coal leases and permits.
- 15. The suspension of operations or production or the waiver of rentals or royalties under mineral leases.
- 16. Excessive holdings under the Mineral Leasing Act.
- 17. The acceptance of bids and execution of agreements for the payment of compensatory oil royalties under the Act of May 21, 1930 (30 U.S.C. secs. 301-306).
- 18. The execution of agreements for the payment of compensatory oil royalties because of drainage.
- 19. Contests involving lands on known geologic structures of producing oil and gas fields.
- 20. Issuance of patent for mineral entries which cover minerals subject to the Mineral Leasing Act.
- (c) The Assistant Chief Counsel will submit to the Chief Counsel all matters assigned to him for review, which are deemed of such importance as to require additional review. Among other things which would be submitted to the Chief Counsel through the Assistant Chief Counsel will be correspondence with members of Congress other than of a routine nature, novel interpretations of statutes or regulations, or public land orders which either do not follow an approved form or involve a novel question. Any attorney in the Bureau may submit any matter, through channels, for the consideration of the Chief Counsel.
- (d) The following matters will be submitted to the Chief Counsel for his review by the attorney of the law division responsible for their preparation or review:
 - 1. Prospective or pending Federal legislation.
 - 2. Proposed Executive orders, not relating to withdrawals or reservations.
 - 3. Orders delegating the authority of the Secretary.
 - 4. Numbered Secretarial orders relating to the internal management of the Department.
 - 5. Amendments of the Bureau of Land Management Manual.
 - 6. Regulations.

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- 7. Forms of leases, contracts or other instruments which are to be prescribed by the Department.
- 8. Litigation.
- 9. The regulation of practitioners before the Department.
- (e) All matters which are to be signed or approved in the Office of The Secretary, and are not required by Solicitor's Memorandum No. 12 of February 4, 1947, and his memorandum of February 11, 1947 (see Appendix B for these memoranda), to be approved by the Solicitor's Office, shall be routed to the Assistant Chief Counsel. The Assistant Chief Counsel or the Chief Counsel, as the case may be, may give final approval in such matters on behalf of the Office of the Solicitor, and in such event, shall stamp "appd. Sol. Off." under his surname so that the matter need not be routed through that office.

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Part 171 - Review of Papers
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Review Procedure

The first paragraph of section 171.2 is amended to read as follows:

171.2 Final review. Unless new or unusual questions of law are involved, all decisions closing cases after notice to, and default by, the party, all decisions taking action on applications for non-competitive oil and gas leases under the Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437, 30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.), as amended, and all non-competitive oil and gas lease forms after execution under that act by the applicants, will receive final review in the division in which they originate. All matters of the classes mentioned involving new or unusual questions of law, all other decisions, documents and letters prepared in the Washington Office involving questions of law, all decisions on appeals to the Director, and all documents which must be published in the Federal Register (see sec. 57.1), will receive final legal approval in the Law Division in accordance with the following procedure:

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Section 137.52 is amended to read as follows:

137.52 Orders for Federal Register, prepared by the regional administrators. Where a regional administrator, pursuant to authority delegated by the Director, issues an order of classification, or an order restoring or opening public lands, the order must be prepared in conformity with the current Federal Register regulations. See regulations approved by the President contained in the Federal Register of October 12, 1948 (13 F.R. 5929). General instructions concerning the preparation of documents for the Federal Register are contained in Part 57 of this Manual. The original and three certified copies of each order when issued must be transmitted to the Director, Division of the Federal Register, The National Archives, Washington, D. C. for publication in the Federal Register. The form of the letter of transmittal is set forth in sections 1.201 and 1.202 of the above-mentioned Federal Register regulations. An additional certified copy of each order must be transmitted to the Director, Bureau of Land Management, together with a statement showing the date when the order was forwarded to the Director, Division of the Federal Register for publication in the Federal Register.

The regional administrator will not prepare a classification order in any case in which a classification report has already been submitted to the Washington office, without prior consultation with that office.

Director.

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^{1/} This instruction supersedes all instructions heretofore given that the documents must be transmitted to the Director, Bureau of Land Management for examination and transmittal to the Division of the Federal Register. (B.L.M. Manual, secs. 137.52 and 181.10(e), and section 2(b) of the "Procedure" for handling cases involving shore space matters in Alaska)

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PART 50-ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE, SUBPART C-DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

Section 50.503 is revoked and new subparagraphs are added to paragraph (a) of section 50.451 as follows:

50.451 Functions with respect to various statutes. (a) * * *

- (15) Decisions denying applications for stock driveway withdrawals or for the revocation of such withdrawals under section 10 of the act of December 29, 1916 (39 Stat. 862, 865, 43 U.S.C. sec. 300).
- (17) Applications for oil and gas noncompetitive leases under section 17 of the act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 443, 30 U.S.C. 226), as amended, the issuance of such leases, and consolidations, modifications, revocations and cancellations relating thereto.
- (25) Approval of all bonds filed in connection with public land matters where the regional administrator has authority under a ny subparagraph of paragraph (a) of this section to act in such matters and determinations with respect to the liability of the principals and sureties under such bonds.
- (28) With respect to nonproducing, noncompetitive oil and gas leases, approval of assignments thereof or royalty interests therein, of operating agreements and assignments of such agreements, and of subleases.
- (30) Extension of time in which to cut timber under timber patents on Oregon revested and reconveyed lands, under the act of May 19, 1930 (46 Stat. 369).

^{1/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparaphs in 43 CFR 4.275(a).

- (31) Termination of rights under timber patents under the act of June 9, 1916 (39 Stat. 218).
- (55) 'pplications for water well leases pursuant to section 40 of the Mineral Leasing Act (48 Stat. 977, 30 U.S.C. sec. 229a), and 30 C.F.R. 241.61 and the issuance, assignment, modification or cancellation of such leases.
- (57) The execution, modification, rescinding, terminating and extending of contracts for the protection of the public domain, including the Oregon revested and reconveyed lands, from fire.
- (81) Applications for repayment under 43 CFR, Part 217 and the approval of such applications.

DELEGATION TO THE MANAGERS

Subparagraphs (42) and (43) of paragraph (a) of section 50.501 are deleted and new subparagraphs are added as follows:

50.501 2/ Functions with respect to various statutes. (a) * * *

- (17) Applications for oil and gas noncompetitive leases under section 17 of the act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 43, 30 U.S.C. 226), as amended, the issuance of such leases, and consolidations, modifications, revocations and cancellations relating thereto:
- (25) approval of all bonds filed in connection with public land matters where the manager has authority under any subparagraph of paragraph (a) of this section to act in such matters and determinations with respect to the liability of the principals and sureties under such bonds.
- (28) With respect to nonproducing, noncompetitive oil and gas leases, approval of assignments thereof or royalty interests therein, of operating agreements and assignments of such agreements, and of subleases.

(Sgd) Marion Clawson.
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^{2/} The numbers of the subparagraphs in this section correspond with the numbers of the related subparagraphs in 4.275 (a).

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ORDER NO. 356

POSTING OF OIL AND GAS APPLICATIONS AND SMALL TRACT APPLICATIONS AND LEASES ON TRACT BOOKS DISCONTINUED

The practice of posting non-competitive oil and gas lease applications and serial register sheets showing the filing of such applications on the tract books in the Washington Office is hereby discontinued.

When received, the serial register sheets will be carded. attached to a backing sheet, and filed in the Branch of Mails and Files. When copies of decisions or leases are received, the case will be drawn, the papers assembled, and thereafter forwarded for appropriate action to the Branch of Land Status, or to the Division of Adjudication. In the event a complete withdrawal is filed or the application is finally rejected in its entirety prior to the issuance of a lease, the papers should be assembled with the case and the record replaced in the files without being noted in the Branch of Land Status. This will not apply to acquired land cases or applications involving lands in States where there are no District Land Offices.

The posting of small tract applications and leases is also discontinued except in cases involving lands in States where there are no District Land Offices. The orders of small tract classifications will be posted as well as cash certificates and patents when sales are completed. Clausen

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PART 28--CLASSIFICATIONS

PROCEDURE IN THE LAND REGIONS

28.1 Action by the manager. The manager will send the original application to the regional administrator or an employee designated by him to handle the class of work for the area involved, and a copy of the application to the Director, in cases in which the regional administrator is authorized to classify the lands, unless different action is required by a specified procedure. See Manual, section 181.3(a). The manager will forward the original application to the Washington office with his regular returns, and a copy of the application to the regional administrator, in cases in which the regional administrator is not authorized to classify the lands. See Manual, sections 137.54, 137.55.

28.2 Action on application; classification of lands; right of applicant to appeal from adverse decision. Where the regional administrator is authorized to classify lands for use or disposition under a particular type of application, that officer upon receipt of an application from the manager, will either classify the lands for the purpose requested or advise the manager of his determination that the lands should not be so classified, and at the same time return the application if he received it, to the manager. Where the decision is favorable, the manager will take such action on the application as may be warranted. Where the decision is adverse, the manager will reject the application subject to the right of appeal to the Director, Bureau of Land Management, pursuant to the Rules of Practice (43 CFR, Part 221).

Where the Director is charged with responsibility for classifying the lands for a particular type of application, he will, upon receipt of an application from the manager, take such action as may be warranted. Where he determines that the land should not be classified for the purpose requested, he will reject the application subject to the right of appeal to the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to the Rules of Practice (43 CFR, Part 221).

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- 28.3 Notice to grazing lessees. The regional administrator will cause notice of proposed classifications to be given to individuals having grazing privileges or other interests in the lands. The notice will be given by mail or other suitable means and due opportunity will be accorded for the filing of protests.
- 28.4 Action by managers, based on rejection of applications. When an application for sale or lease is finally rejected on the ground that the land is not suitable for the use or disposition requested, or it is determined that it would not be in the public interest to authorize such a sale or lease, the manager will note such fact on his records by a brief notation such as "Not suitable for homestead," or "Not in public interest to sell," together with the serial number of the case, and reject all subsequent similar applications for the same land, subject to the right of appeal to the Director.
- 28.5 Classifications to be recorded by managers. When public lands withdrawn by Executive order 6910 of November 26, 1934, or Executive order 6964 of February 5, 1935, are classified as subject to disposition in accordance with section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act, or any other law, the manager will note the classification and the character thereof on his records.
- 28.6 <u>Classification reports</u>. Classification reports, when required in connection with applications, must be made by the regional administrator to the Washington office without special requests therefor being made (Manual 165.78).

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Mr. Riley V. Lewis retired as Chief of the Land Status unit of the Division of Administration effective November 30.

Pending the establishment of a new organization to take care of the records work of the Bureau, Mr. William C. Holland is hereby designated to assume responsibility for reorganization of the records work and will have general supervision over the tract books and permanent case records. Under Mr. Holland's general supervision, Mr. Bernard F. Darnall will assume responsibility for immediate charge of tract book records and personnel attached to that work.

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(Signed) Marion Clawson,
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PART 60-EXCHANGES, LIEU SELECTIONS AND SCRIP EXCHANGES

Section 60.50 is amended to read as follows:

change cases to be sent to the Chief, Forest Service. Four copies of decisions, one of which shall be certified, in forest exchange cases accepting title to the lands offered as base will be sent without any letter of transmittal to the Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. The Bureau file copies of such decisions will be marked:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON 25. D. C.

V Order No. 360

Bureau of Land Management Manual

Part 129 -- Patents

Part 129 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual is hereby amended to read as follows:

129.1 Regulations relating to patents. Instructions of a general nature relating to patents are contained in 43 CFR, Part 108, as amended.

129.2 Procedure leading to the issuance of patents. Cases will be sent to the fatents Section for issuance of patents, after approval by the branches of the Division of Adjudication. Such cases may contain final certificates, town lot certificates, letter requests transmitted from the Bureau of Indian Affairs or other Government agencies, written orders issued in this Bureau, decisions of this Bureau approving cases for patenting, or other similar documents.

All the required reservations and exceptions, as well as the approval for patenting, must be noted on the document which will be sent to the Patents Section. The only notation to be placed on the backing sheet (Form 4-220) will be the approval for patenting as directed by the second paragraph of 114.51 of the BLM banual. It will be the responsibility of the adjudicator to include in the written order or decision, or to place upon the final certificate or other document, all the necessary notations before sending the case to the Patents Section.

The Patents Section will arrange the cases into groups known as "lots", assigning each lot a number. Lists will be made showing the numbers of the entries in each lot. When the patents in the lot are issued, the lot list will be stamped with the patent number corresponding to each entry. The date of issuance of the patent and of its transmittal to the district land office or other disposition will be noted thereon. The original of this list will be made part of the permanent records of the Fatents Section. The duplicate will be sent to the Branch of Research for compilation of Statistical data, and will be retained by that Branch.

129.3 Examination of case records. Before patents are issued on cases which have been approved for patenting, a careful scrutiny of the case records, both as to form and substance, will be made in the Patents Section. If any irregularity or possible irregularity is found, the cases will be "suspended" and returned to the adjudicating branch for action. It will be the responsibility of the Patents Section to examine each patent to verify the inclusion therein of all reservations and exceptions called for by the notations made by the adjudicating branches on the final certificate or other document approving the case for patenting. The person making this verification and examination will initial the back of the carbon copy of the patent in the upper right hand corner.

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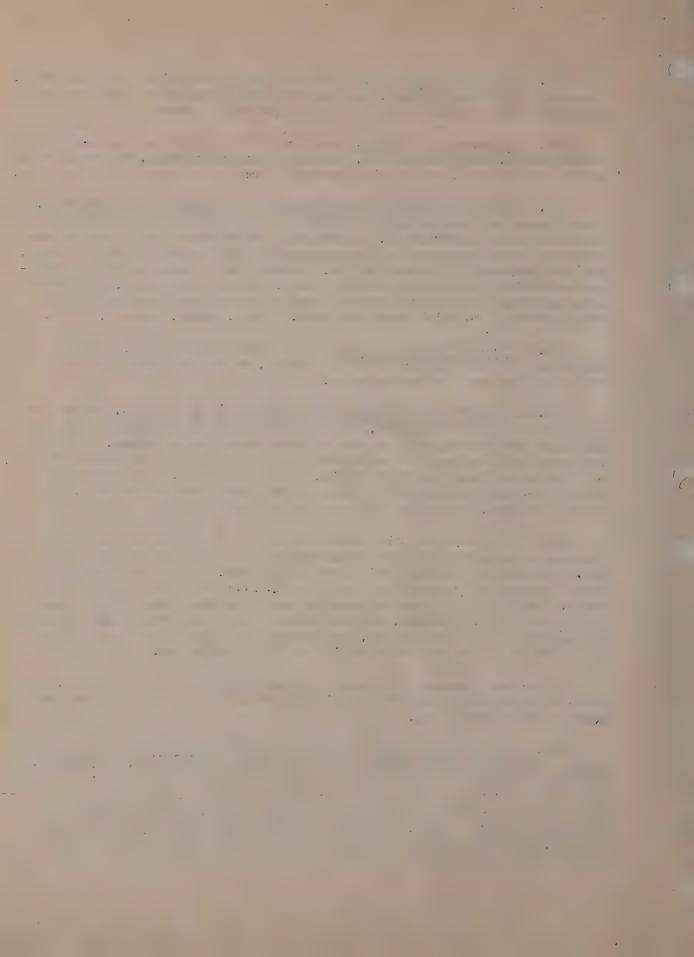
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- 129.4 Writing of Patents. Patents will be written on the typewriter. A carbon copy of each patent, made at the time the patent is written, will constitute the permanent record of that particular patent.
- 129.5 Issuance of patents. Patents will be signed in the name of the United States, for the Director, Bureau of Land Management, by the Chief of the Patents Section, and in his absence by the Acting Chief of the Section.
- In all cases in which an entry has been made pursuant to a recognized public land survey and plat thereof, suspension of such survey shall not be permitted to delay procedure by the entryman for the perfection of his entry, nor the issuance of a patent to him, whenever and as soon as he has otherwise established his right to such patent. In all such cases, any patent so issued will describe the granted land in accordance with the plat of survey pursuant to which entry was made. (Dept. order, March 1, 1920).
- 129.7 Transmittal of patents. The Patents Section will transmit the patents to the parties entitled thereto, or to the district land office for delivery to the patents.
- 129.8 Disposition of cases after transmittal of patents. After the patents have been transmitted, the cases which require posting in the Branch of Land Status will be sent to that branch to be posted. The town lot cases will be sent to the Branch of Land Utilization & Disposal for posting on the town site tract books. Both branches will be responsible for the posting on their tract books of the patent number and date, and where specified, the reservations and exceptions noted.

Each case record or other document sent to the Patents Section for issuance of a patent will have attached to it the Routing and Transmittal Slip (Form 4-1123) listing the route of the case, and in the "remarks" space listing the reservations and exceptions to be noted on the tract books. This slip will not be detached until the case reaches the Branch of Mails & Files. However, when a group of cases requires no notations as to reservations and exceptions, one transmittal slip may be used to route the group to the proper branches for action and notation.

After the necessary notations have been made on the tract books, the cases will be sent to the Branch of Research and thence to the Branch of Mails & Files for filing.

lands. Exchanges under Section 8 of the Taylor Grazing Act, as amended, will be considered "special" and forwarded to the Patents Section promptly for the issuance of patents. The Patents Section will notify the adjudicating branches promptly when the patents have issued. The adjudicating branches in proper cases, as soon as possible after the issuance of the patents, will prepare orders opening the acquired lands to application under the public land laws.



129.10 Employees to report information concerning defective patents; issuance of amended or supplemental patents. Where information concerning defective patents is found by employees of this Bureau in connection with their duties, it should be perorted by a memorandum addressed to the Chief, Branch of Land Utilization & Disposal. Employees in the field offices will address a similar memorandum to the proper Regional Administrator, who will transmit it to Washington in proper cases.

Upon receipt of the memorandum, if the defect is deemed sufficient to warrant the issuance of an amended or supplemental patent, the Patents Section will (a) ascertain, if possible, from the proper State officer, the name and address of the present owner of the land, and (b) advise the present owner of the defect and as to the conditions under which an amended or supplemental patent may be issued.

129.11 Patents issued subject to the provisions and conditions of particular statutes. For convenience in making notations on the final certificates or other documents and in preparing decisions and writing patents where the land to be conveyed is subject to the provisions and conditions of particular statutes, the following information is given in Appendix P: (a) the language covering such provisions and conditions which is used most frequently at the present time on final certificates and in writing decisions, and (b) the corresponding language which is used in the patents. The text will be found in the appendix under the citations to the particular statutes, which citations are arranged in chronological order.

The text given for the patents covers only cases in which all the land to be conveyed is affected by the special requirements. Where only a part of the land is so affected, the text must be appropriately modified.

Associate Director

December 3/, 1948.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

December 30, 1948

ORDER No. 361

Procedure for handling applications and related papers

Effective January 10, 1949, the procedure outlined below will become effective for handling applications and all papers and correspondence on cases adjudicated in the Washington Office. Applications and related papers on cases adjudicated by Region 6 will be sent to that office, through the Branch of Land Status, whenever necessary.

- 1. The present intermediate file rooms in the Branch of Land Use and Disposal and the Branch of Minerals shall be abolished and their work and personnel transferred to the Branch of Mails and Files on the second floor.
- 2. The Branch of Mails and Files will be responsible for the routing of all applications to the individual adjudicator assigned to handle the particular type of case. These shall be routed through the Branch of Land Status whenever necessary. This routing will be made in accordance with lists furnished to the Chief, Branch of Mails and Files, by the Chief, Division of Adjudication, setting out in detail the types of cases handled by each individual adjudicator in the respective branches.
- 3. Responsibility for attaching all correspondence and papers to the individual cases will rest with the Branch of Mails and Files. This will apply regardless of where the case may be. File clerks, when placing correspondence or additional evidence in the cases, will place the date and their initials at the top right-hand corner on said material being placed in the files. Adjudicators should not spend any time in attempting to locate cases or correspondence in the future.
- 4. Adjudicators will be responsible for the custody of all cases during their pending period. In order to make the monthly report a simple matter, the cases shall be filed under the headings specified in the form attached to the Director's memorandum of December 10, addressed to all regional administrators under the subject "Procedures under Decentralization."
- 5. The Chief of the Division of Adjudication will furnish the Chief, Branch of Mails and Files, with a list showing the pending cases assigned to each adjudicator as of the time of this change in procedure. Adjudicators will maintain accurate charge-out records of cases delivered by them to members of the staff. Any member of the staff receiving a case from anyone should notify that person whenever the case is passed on to any third party.

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ORDER NO. 362

Effective January 10, functions now handled by the Correspondence Section of the Division of Administration will be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Information Officer. In connection with this move, the following personnel changes will be effective simultaneously:

Mrs. Anna L. Mickum, Mrs. Pauline S. Clinton and Mr. Marry I. Richmond, will continue with the correspondence work under the new jurisdiction.

Mrs. Alice M. Grove is assigned to the Patents Section, Division of Adjudication: Miss Florence M. Ramsay to the Branch of Budget and Finance, Division of Administration, and Miss Theresa A. Tims to the Branch of Management Planning, Division of Administration.

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CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS
TITLE 43—PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR
CHAPTER I—BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 50—CRGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C-DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

Subparagraph (83) of paragraph (a) of Section 40.451 is amended to read as follows:

50.451 Functions with respect to various statutes. (a) * * *

(83) Determine the liability for trespass on the public lands in their respective regions, in accordance with the rules set forth in 43 CFR, Part 288, and the applicable Court and Departmental decisions, and demand and accept payment of the amount determined to be due by reason of such trespass. This authority does not extend to Region II.

(43 CFR 4.275; RS 161, 453, 2478; 5 U.S.C. 22, 43 U.S.C. 2, 1201).

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The following part is added:

Part 165 - REPORTS
Reports made by the District Land Office
Work Reports

165.60 Reports of original and final entries to be submitted monthly by the district land offices and by Region VI. A report on Form 4-1122 must be submitted monthly showing the entries, selections, etc., allowed and final certificates issued by the district land offices and by Region VI. The report will be submitted not later than the fourth day following the end of the month covered by it. It will be prepared in triplicate, the original for the Director, and a copy each for the Regional Administrator and the Manager.

165.61 General instructions. The report of original and final entries, will include, for each entry, selection, etc., listed, the information required by Form 4-1122. The entries, etc., will be listed in the order of the date of their allowance or final certificate and without regard to class or serial order. The report will list all applications, declarations, selections, locations, and original entries which were allowed during the month of the report. It will also list all private and public sales and all final entries upon which final certificates were issued.

For the purposes of this report, mineral applications will be considered to have been allowed on the date that publication is ordered, and mineral adverse claims will be considered to have been allowed on the date they are filed in the district land office. Timber and stone applications, soldiers' additional homestead applications, and public sale applications will not be reported until final certificate is issued.

Amended entries, which require additional fees and commissions, or commissions only, and other entries for which additional payment is made will be reported as of the date the additional payments are applied. In such cases, the acreage, fees and commissions, and purchase money columns will show only the area and amount of money involved in the additional payment. The other columns will be filled in as usual while the remarks column will carry the notation "amended" or "additional payment", as the case may be.

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165.62 Data to be reported. The various columns of Form 4-1122 will be filled out as follows for each entry, etc., reported:

- (a) Serial number. The State in which the land is located, in addition to the serial number, will be shown for those States which have no district land office.
- (b) Class of entry, selection, etc. The class of entry will be stated as specifically as possible. The more common classes of entries, etc., are listed in the "Standard Classes and Codes for Types of Cases" which was transmitted to field officials with memorandum of August 11, 1948 (Items and sub-items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8). Additional information can be found in the statistical appendix of the annual report of the Director in the tabulations showing data on original entries and selections allowed and final entries approved during the fiscal year covered by the annual report.
- (c) Act of Congress. The date of the act of Congress which authorized the disposal will be shown (e.g., in the case of the enlarged homestead act, as follows: 2-19-09.). The Taylor Grazing Act will be cited only for Sec. 14 public sales.
- (d) Type of entry. If the case is an original entry or selection, an "O" will be shown. If final certificate has issued, an "F" will be shown.
- (e) Acres. The acreage will be shown only to two decimal places. Square footage or other square measurements will be converted to acres.
- (f) Fees and commissions. All fees and commissions earned in connection with the entry, selection, etc., will be shown except cancellation and testimony fees.
- (g) Purchase money. All purchase money earned in connection with the entry, selection, etc., will be shown, including payment for excess area. Interest payments will not be shown. Installment payments will not be shown separately but will be reported in a lump sum when final certificate is issued.
- (h) Remarks. Additional descriptive data will be shown, including the name of the Indian tribe when ceded Indian lands are involved, and the name of the town site in sales of town lots. No notations will be made with respect to the disposition of the papers in the case or as to the administrative authorization for the action taken, information which was formerly shown on the Schedule of Allowances.

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^{***} Show name of Indian tribe if entry covers ceded Indian lands.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Order No. 365

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The following amends Part 168 and is substituted therefor:

PART 168--RETURNS

DISTRICT LAND OFFICE PROCEDURE

SCHEDULES

Sec. 168.1 Definition of the word "returns." The word "returns" is used by the Bureau of Land Management to designate certain schedules and papers which must be transmitted by the district land offices to the Bureau of Land Management at regular intervals. The classes of schedules and papers which are known as "returns" are described in this part of the Bureau of Land Management Manual.

168.2 When returns must be made. Returns from the district land offices will be submitted four times a month. One submission will be made for each of the following intervals:

1st to 7th, 8th to 15th, 16th to 22d, 23d to the last day of the month, inclusive.

Papers becoming ready for transmittal (and which have not been transmitted special) within any of the intervals mentioned will be transmitted to the Bureau of Land Management not later than the working day next succeeding each interval.

- 168.3 Schedules, preparation. The district land offices will submit schedules as follows:
 - (1) Schedule of Serial Numbers, on Form 4-115.
 - (2) Schedule of Miscellaneous Papers, on Form 4-115.

The schedules will be prepared in duplicate, the entries therein to be made at the end of each period for which the returns are submitted. The duplicates will be retained in the district land offices. The originals will be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management with the returns for the last quarter of the month. Fractional schedules will be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management with the returns for the first three quarters of the month. These fractional schedules will be a carbon copy

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of the entries made in the original schedules and will show only the entries for the quarter of the month for which the returns are submitted. The first entries on the fractional schedules for the second and third quarters likely will not start at the top of the page but at whetever place on the sheet the quarterly postings begin on the originals. When the cases transmitted number less than 31 in any month the completed schedules will be confined to one page, but the Schedule of Miscellaneous Papers will appear in four groups each arranged serially.

168.4 Schedule of Serial Numbers. The Schedule of Serial Numbers on Form 4-115, will contain the following information:

When applications are necessarily held, notation will be made in the "Remarks" column of the schedule as "Suspended, held;" and "Rejected, held." If transmitted with the returns for the period for which the schedule is rendered notation of such transmittal will not be made; if forwarded by special letter, the date of the transmittal will be noted in the "Remarks" column. The date of filing will be shown in the first column.

In the column "Kind of Application or Entry" the abbreviations as "Appn O-G lease," "Appn Oil Shale lease," "Appn sodium permit," "Appn potash permit," etc. will be used.

Reports of applications under the Taylor Grazing Act will show the section of the act under which the application is filed.

The report of the serial number of an application for additional entry on the Schedule of Serial Numbers will refer in the "Remarks" column to the serial number of the original entry.

The names of applicants for rights-of-way must be shown in the "Remarks" column, and any other notations in that column must be changed, when necessary, so that the completed schedule will show the status of the cases at the end of the month.

laneous Papers will list in serial order for each interval all applications, entries, selections, locations, assignments, adverse claims, proofs, relinquishments, requests for cancelation, withdrawals, final certificates, petitions for renewal, etc., which are transmitted (or which have been transmitted special) within the interval. There should be noted in the date column the date the last paper was filed or action taken in the case. Receipt numbers must be shown whenever payments have been received. The type of entry and kind of paper must be identified in the proper column. Cases which are suspended, or which have been withdrawn or closed should be so noted in the "Remarks" column.

The following classes of papers should not be reported on this schedule: letters, reports, requests for suspension of operations, operating agreements, stipulations, tax receipts, evidence of service, etc.

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168.6 Serial and receipt numbers not to be abbreviated; sheets to be numbered. Serial and receipt numbers on abstracts and schedules must be written in full and without the use of ditto marks. If a schedule or abstract consists of more than one sheet, the sheets will be numbered at the bottom.

168.7 Schedules for regional administrators. At the close of each month the manager will transmit to the regional administrator a copy of the Schedule of Miscellaneous Papers transmitted to the Bureau of Land Management. In the case of a reliquishment, a rejected or a withdrawn final proof, or a withdrawn or abated contest, the name of the claimant should be written in the "Remarks" column of such copy. In addition, a classified schedule for use by range managers will be forwarded to the regional administrator. This schedule will not include mineral leasing act applications but will show any applications to enter, select, lease or exchange grazing lands and amendments, relinquishments or cancellations. This schedule, on Form 4-115, will be prepared in accordance with Sec. 168.8 following.

168.8 Schedules for Forest Service. A classified Schedule of Serial Numbers (on Form 4-115), reporting in chronological order all applications, final certificates, relinquishments, and cancelations of entries within the limits of national forests must be forwarded each month to the regional foresters of the Forest Service. The schedule must give the list numbers under the act of June 11, 1906 (34 Stat. 233; 16 U.S.C. 506-509), and the township and range numbers of unsurveyed lands which are described by metes and bounds. The items should be listed in the following form:

May 3, 016009 Hd. (orig.), James E. Houston, $NE_{4}^{1}SW_{4}^{1}$ sec. 6, T. 8 S., R. 23 E.-Allowed.

May 9, 014800, Hd. (orig.), William H. Murray, $S_{2}^{1}SE_{4}^{1}$ sec. 8, T. 19 N., R. 30 W.,--Relinquished.

May 11, 013906, mineral (final), Robert Thompson, $NW_{4}^{1}SE_{4}^{1}$, $SW_{4}^{1}NE_{4}^{1}$ sec. 9, T. 14 S., R. 25 E.,--Final certificate issued.

May 25, 015326, DIE (orig.), Henry Dawson, S_{2}^{1} sec. 5, T. 9 N., R. 40 W.--Canceled by B.L.M.

On request, the regional foresters should be furnished the status of unperfected entries, as may be called for by them on forms to accompany their requests.

When any excessive amount of data is required by the Forest Service that bureau will detail a clerk to obtain the information.

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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ORDER NO. 366

DELEGATIONS TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS

453. Initiation of Government contests. The regional administrators may direct adverse proceedings in accordance with 43 CFR, Part 222, against unpatented mining locations as the result of investigations and determinations that such locations are invalid, without obtaining the approval of the Director unless the Director in any particular matter determines otherwise. This authority shall extend only to mining locations in areas withdrawn for the use of other Governmental agencies.

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PART 57-DOCUMENTS

GENERAL

Section 57.2 is amended to read as follows:

57.2 Preparation and filing of Federal Register documents. Documents for the Federal Register must be prepared in accordance with the Federal Register regulations (1 CFR, Part 1, Subparts F to J, inclusive, 13 F.R. 5931-5934). Only one original of such documents will be signed.

The original and three certified copies must be filed with the Division of the Federal Register, The National Archives. The three top, or best, carbons will be certified. The form for the certificate is shown in Section 57.4 of this manual.

The second carbon copy (one of the three copies which will be certified for the Division of the Federal Register) will be surnamed. This copy, when received by the Division of the Federal Register and endorsed by it to show the day and hour of filing (1 CFR 1.213), will be returned to the Bureau of Land Management and will become the Bureau file copy.

The fourth carbon copy of documents which are prepared for for signature or approval in the Department will be surnamed and will become the Department file copy.

^{1/} An exception will be made in the case of numbered departmental orders prepared for publication in the Federal Register. Until further instructions have been issued by the Department, such orders must be prepared for signature in duplicate, and otherwise, in accordance with memorandum of the Chief Clerk of the Department of July 24, 1946.

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The file numbers and symbols provided for by section 66.1 of this Manual will be placed on the copies intended for surnaming.

Such numbers of carbon copies as may be necessary, in addition to those indicated above, will be made.

The following materials will be used in typing Federal Register documents:

- (a) Bond paper, size 8 x $12\frac{1}{2}$ inches for the original.
- (b) Light-weight tissue, white, for the carbon copies.
- (c) Light-weight carbon paper, manufactured for making 9 carbons or more.

Where the Regional Administrator, pursuant to authority delegated to him by the Director, prepares a document for the Federal Register, the instructions contained in Section 137.52 must be followed.

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PART 57--DCCUMENTS

GENERAL

Section 57.4 and 57.5 and 57.117 to 57.120, inclusive, of the Manual are amended to read as follows:

57.4 Certificate to be typed on three copies of Federal Register documents; preparation of letter of transmittal. When Federal Register documents of the Bureau of Land Management are prepared for signature they shall have typed at the bottom of three copies thereof, the following:

Certified to be a true copy of the original.

Certifying Officer

Each Federal Register document of the Bureau of Land Management which is submitted for signature, must have attached thereto a letter for the signature of the certifying officer, transmitting the original and three copies of the document to the Division of the Federal Register. A form letter will be provided for this purpose. This letter must state in which of the following categories the document falls:

Category 1 - Document subject to codification.

Category 2 - Notice of proposed rule making.

Category 3 - Description of agency organization.

Category 4 - Notices.

The designation of one of the foregoing categories in each letter of transmittal is required by section 1.202 of the Federal Register regulations approved by the President and printed in the Federal Register of October 12, 1948, 13 F.R. 5934.

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57.5 Processing of Mederal Megister documents. Federal Register documents of the Mureau of Land Lanagement which are prepared for signature or approval in the Department will be processed in accordance with memorandum of February 10,1849, of the Acting Chief Clerk of the Department, contained in Appendix D.

Federal Medister documents of the Bureau of Land Management which are prepared for signature or approval in the Bureau only, will be handled as follows:

- (a) After a document has been signed and dated, it will be delivered to the certifying officer of the Bureau.
- (b) The Bureau certifying officer will sign the letter provided for in section 57.4, transmitting the original and three copies of the document to the Division of the Mederal Register, the Mational Archives, for publication in the Federal Register.
- (c) The Bureau certifying officer will sign a memorandum transmitting a copy of each document affecting the status of the public lands to the manager of the land office for the district in which the lands are situated. The memorandum will be prepared and submitted by the employee who drafts the document.
- (d) The Bureau certifying officer will forward a copy of the memorandum provided for in paragraph (c) to the regional administrator and to such other officers or agencies as may be indicated by the file copies of such memorandum. In the case of orders affecting the status of the public lands in Alaska, a copy of the memorandum will also be forwarded to the Governor of Alaska, a copy to the Regional Cadastral Engineer and a copy to the Division of Territories and Island Possessions. Notices to other interested officers or agencies should be given thereafter in accordance with section 57.120.
- (e) As soon as the above-mentioned actions have been taken, the certifying officer will cause the papers to be delivered by special messenger to the Office of the Chief Counsel for mimeographing or other necessary action, if prepared in his office, otherwise to the Branch in which the papers were prepared.

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PROCLAMATIONS, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PUBLIC LAND ORDERS, AND DEPARTMENTAL AND BUREAU ORDERS AFFECTING THE PUBLIC LANDS

57.117 Requests for the withdrawal of lands to be acknowledged. by the Director; all orders withdrawing lands to be expedited. All acknowledgements of letters requesting the withdrawal of lands will be prepared and submitted as promptly as possible for the signature of the Director and every effort must be made in the branches of the Bureau which are charged with responsibility for taking action in those cases to expedite such action. The letters of acknowledgement, where appropriate, should state that the Secretary of the Interior has requested that the receipt of the correspondence be acknowledged.

57.118 Notation of transmittal of copies to other agencies. Where copies of orders are to be mailed to other agencies, either by the Secretary's mail room or by the Bureau of Land Management, the official copy must contain the following notation:

"Copy to (e.g. Fish and Wildlife Service)"

57.119 Notation of promulgation; posting and filing of orders. The certifying officer will note the date of promulgation on the file copy of all orders. After certification, an order will be returned to the employee who prepared it, who will cause it to be posted on the tract books, if necessary, and sent to the Branch of Mails and Files.

57.120 Notice to interested agencies. After the order has been published in the Federal Register, the employee who drafted it will prepare memoranda for the signature of the Chief of his Branch notifying the Agency which requested the action, and any other interested agency, of the issuance of the order, and giving the date and page of the Federal Register in which it appears.

Order No. 341 of October 5, 1948 is revoked.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON

MAR 7 - 1949

Order No. 369

Subject: Bureau Representative on O and C Advisory Board

Pursuant to section 2(c) of Departmental Order No. 2450 of July 27, 1948, the Regional Administrator of Region I is designated as ex officio member of the 0 & C Advisory Board established by that order. The regional administrator is also authorized to act as the designated representative of the Director for all purposes of Order No. 2450 except section 4(a).

This order supersedes Bureau Order No. 333 of August 28, 1948.

Director

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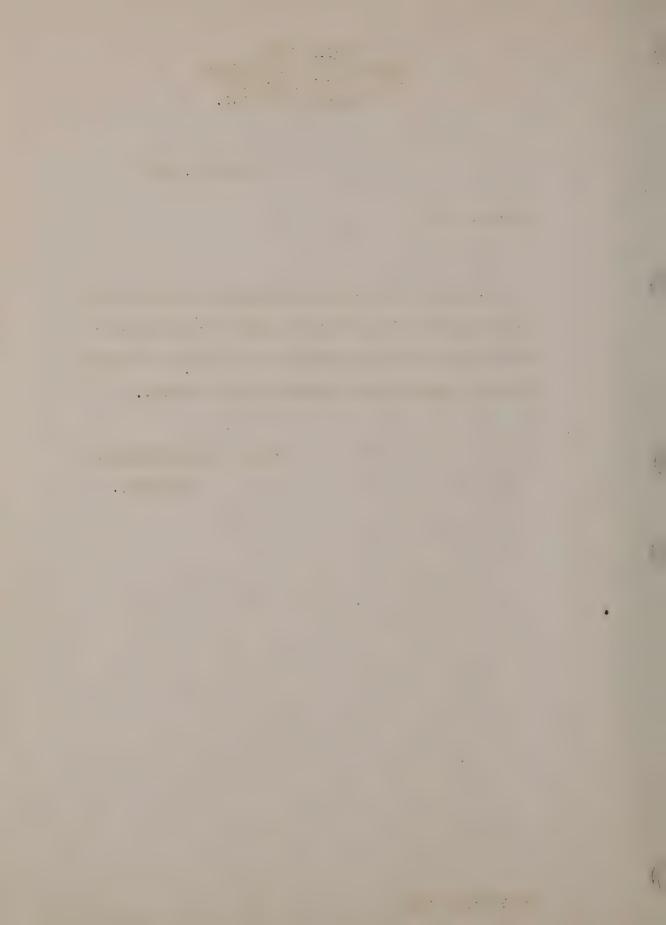
UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
Washington 25, D.C.

March 10, 1949

Order No. 370

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by Departmental Order No. 2441 of July 8, 1948, the regional administrators are hereby authorized to initiate Government contests against claims asserted to public lands.

(Sgd.) Marion Clawson,
Director.





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ORDER NO. 371

MANUAL OF THE
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
PART 137 - PRACTICE
WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The following text is added to Part 137:

137.3 Use of "Accounting Advice" form in lieu of case records: handling of related correspondence. The transmission of applications, new leases, permits, entries or the case files by the Division of Adjudication and the Branch of Mails and Files was discontinued by Order 282, effective October 1, 1947. In order to facilitate the establishment of an account for all leases, permits, or licenses that involve the payment of money due or payable to the United States, or any changes whatever in an existing lease, permit or license, an Accounting Advice, Form 4-112-Revised, will be used for informing the Accounting Section thereof. Adjudicators will provide themselves with a supply of Form 4-112-Revised which will be prenumbered to insure a continuous record of their receipt in the Accounting Section. Form 4-112-Revised will be made in duplicate, the original forwarded daily to the Accounting Section of the Region or Branch of Budget and Finance where the accounting record is kept, and the duplicate copy will be retained in the Adjudicating office files. In the event Form 4-112-Revised is spoiled, it will be marked "Void" and the original forwarded to the Accounting Section.

Spaces have been provided on the Accounting Advice form for the showing of information required by the Accounting Section. Since the correctness of the accounting record will depend largely on the information shown on the accounting advice, care must be taken to see that it is complete. The Accounting Section will use the original form as a posting media to establish new accounts or to adjust accounts previously established.

Correspondence relating to the money status of lease or permit accounts will be referred to the Accounts Section with the case file for reply. Where the lease or permit account is being maintained in a Regional Office or by the Geological Survey the correspondence will be referred to the office where the account is being maintained. Correspondence involving a question of accounting and adjudication will be routed through the appropriate branches for the preparation of a paragraph for insertion in the letter to the lessee or permittee.

PROCEDURE IN THE LAND REGIONS

137.57 Accounting Advice. In order to facilitate the establishment of an account for all leases, permits, or licenses that involve the payment of money due or payable to the United States, or any changes whatever in an

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Section 168.01 is revoked.

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PART 168--RETURNS

DISTRICT LAND OFFICE PROCEDURE

SERIAL NUMBERS AND SERIAL NUMBER NOTATIONS

Section 168.26 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual requires the renumbering of old series serial cases to the current serial numbers of the operating District Land Offices.

The above section is hereby revoked effective immediately.

Director.

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Order No. 373

- 1. The name of the Division of Grazing, Bureau of Land Management is hereby changed to the Division of Range Management, Bureau of Land Management.
- 2. The title of the Chief, Division of Grazing, is hereby changed to Chief, Division of Range Management.
- 3. The title of Regional Chief, Division of Grazing (formerly Regional Grazier) is hereby changed to Chief, Division of Range Management, (Designate Region).
- 4. The title of District Grazier is hereby changed to Range Manager.

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PART 99--MINERAL LEASING, ETC.

OIL AND GAS

WITHDRAWN LANDS

Section 99.86 is amended to read as follows:

99.86 Notice to oil and gas lessees. Under section 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1940 (41 Stat. 437, 30 U.S.C. sec. 226), as amended by section 3 of the Act of August 8, 1946 (Pub. Law 696, 79th Congress), a holder of a non-competitive oil and gas lease shall not be entitled to an extension of the lease if, on the expiration date of the lease, the lands are withdrawn from oil and gas leasing under section 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act, as amended. A withdrawal, however, will prevent an extension only (a) if notice thereof was mailed to the lessee by registered mail at least 90 days prior to the expiration date of the lease and (b) if actual drilling operations on the leased lands were not commenced prior to the effective date of such withdrawal, or, if so commenced, have not been diligently prosecuted until and including such expiration date.

Accordingly, where an order of withdrawal would remove land which is covered by oil and gas leases from the operation of section 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act, as amended, notice of such withdrawal must be given promptly by the Managers, or the Regional Administrator, Regions III, V, or VI, as may be appropriate, to the oil and gas lessees, as set forth in section 57.130 of this Manual.

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PART 57--DOCUMENTS
FEDERAL REGISTER DOCUMENTS

PROCLAMATIONS, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PUBLIC LAND ORDERS, ETC.

Section 57.130 is amended to read as follows:

- 57.130 Responsibility of the Bureau of Land Management and of the Managers, in connection with withdrawals. (a) On receipt of a request for a withdrawal of land, unless the necessity for prompt action is apparent, the appropriate Regional Administrator will be requested by a memorandum to be signed by the Chief, Branch of Land Use and Disposal, to report whether or not the proposed withdrawal will interfere with any program of the Bureau and the extent of such interference if any. Regional Administrators will report within ten days of the receipt of a request therefor or ask for such additional time as may be considered necessary.
- (b) At the same time that the report provided for in paragraph (a) is requested of the Regional Administrator, the person preparing the request will prepare a proposed memorandum to be signed by the Director, addressed to the Manager of the Land Office for the district having jurisdiction over the lands, stating the pertinent facts as to the proposed withdrawal and instructing the Manager to suspend all applications to enter or lease the lands, the allowance of which is discretionary, and to list the oil and gas leases, if any, in his district or region, which would be affected by the withdrawal. For the reasons set forth in section 99.86 of this Manual, such lessees must be given prompt notice of all withdrawals. Where the lands are under the direct jurisdiction of the Regional Administrator in Regions III, V, and VI, similar instructions will be incorporated in the memorandum for the Regional Administrator, provided for in paragraph (a).
- (c) The Manager of the Land Office, or the appropriate Regional Administrator, will make a note of the proposed order and will prepare notices on Forms 4-242 or 4-243, as may be appropriate, to the oil and gas lessees, if any, except as to the insertion of the number and date of the order.

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- (d) Upon advice that such an order has been signed, the Manager of the proper district land office, or the appropriate Regional Administrator, will at once insert the number and date of the order in the notices theretofore prepared and send the notices by registered mail to the oil and gas lesses. The appropriate office will reject all conflicting applications, except those which under the terms of the order of withdrawal are not affected thereby.
- (e) If the request for withdrawal is denied, the Regional Administrator and the Manager will be advised and appropriate action will then be taken on the suspended applications.

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MANUAL OF THE
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
PART 114 -- NOTATIONS
WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE

NOTATIONS ON TRACT BOOKS

MAR 29 1949

Order No. 376

Part 114 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual is hereby changed in the following respects:

114.12 Delete "grazing leases".

114.14 Delete entire section and substitute the following:

Applications not to be noted on the tract books of the Washington office. The following types of applications will be noted on the tract books of the District Land Offices, but will not be noted on the tract books of the Washington office.

- (1) Grazing leases issued under authority of Section 15 of the Taylor Grazing Act (48 Stat. 1275; 43 USC 315m), as amended, (Circular No. 1705, November 4, 1948).
- (2) Grazing leases issued under authority of 43 CFR 115.128-115.149 (Circular No. 1607, May 29, 1945) for revested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant lands, in Oregon.

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MANUAL OF THE
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
PART 83 -- IMPROVEMENTS
IMPROVEMENTS ON PUBLIC LANDS

MAR 29 1949

ORDER NO. 377

Part 83 is hereby amended to read as follows:

83.1 rublic lands containing range improvements owned by the United States. Where range improvements have been placed upon public lands by the United States, or pursuant to an agreement with it, any part of a legal subdivision thus improved is considered appropriated within the meaning of sections 7, 8, and 14 of the Taylor Grazing Act. See 84 F. 2d, 232 and 44 L. D. 359, 513.

83.2 Recordation of projects. Pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 101.20, revised December 28, 1948 (Circular No. 1716) the responsibility is placed directly upon the Regional Administrators to determine whether an application under the public land laws for lands upon which range or other improvements have been placed by the United States, or pursuant to an agreement with it, may be allowed, notwithstanding such improvements, and if so, with or without reservation.

- (a) kange improvements not recorded in Washington office. Effective December 16, 1948, the recordation of range improvements on the tract books in the Washington office ceased.
- (b) Action by Regional Office. The Regional Administrator will properly note on the records of his office the following types of range improvements and will promptly notify the appropriate district land office or offices of such improvements by sending them appropriate project reports and plats:

Construction projects, including but not limited to the

following types:

Wells

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Pipelines.

Buildings with permanent foundations.

Fences of a permanent nature.

Roads of a permanent nature which cannot be altered or changed as occasion demands or so stratgically located that they constitute the only means of ingress or egress to otherwise inaccessible areas. Other types of roads may be reported and recorded at the discretion of the Regional Administrator.

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- (c) Action by District Land Office. The recordation of range improvements on the tract books in the district land offices shall continue. Upon receipt of a project report the Manager of the district land office will take the following action:
- (1) Each report and each plat will be stamped with the office filing stamp to show the date received.
- (2) The reports and plats will be compared as to the general description of the lands affected by the improvements by section, township, and range. If not in agreement, both report and plat will be returned to the Regional Administrator by memorandum calling attention to the discrepancy.

(3) Each report and each plat will bear the Regional Administrator's file number (Project No.), for identification, which will always be referred to in correspondence and status reports.

- (4) When it has been determined that both the report and plat are in agreement as to township and range, and the sections in general, the improvement will be posted in the tract books in the sections affected, as shown upon the plat, since the subdivisions affected by extensive improvements cannot be shown upon the reports. Notations in the tract books are to be kept to the minimum necessary to warn of the improvement and identify the report and plat to which reference can be made for detailed description. Ordinarily it will suffice to write in the respective sections: "BLM Range Improvement, Project No. Additional improvements may be noted by writing the project numbers to the right of the first, on the same line.
- (5) Reports and plats will be filed numerically, according to the project numbers by which identified under the heading: "Range Improvements, Bureau of Land Management."
- (6) Each clerk posting such improvements upon the tract books will endorse over his initials, on each report from which posting is made, the date of posting.

83.3 Revised or abandoned range improvements. The records must reflect changes in range improvements that alter land status.

- (a) Revised Projects. In the event a project has been reported as completed and its location is subsequently revised, the Regional Administrator will send the district land office a revised project report and plats, indication the correction or modification in the land description for correction notations on the records of the project as revised.
- (b) Abandoned Projects. When a project previously reported as completed is abandoned as worthless, or is removed, the kegional Administrator will notify the district land office, whereupon, the Manager will cancel any notations made in the tract books by virtue of such project.

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(c) Henceforth, no reliance will be placed upon the Washington office records with regard to range improvements, the official record being in the district land offices.

83.4 Applications for lands on which range improvements are located. Applications under the public land laws may be received by the Manager, the Regional Administrators, or the Washington office for lands upon which range improvements have been made, but no rights can be acquired to such lands merely by the filing of an application. Status reports accompanying such applications to the Regional office or to the Washington office must always refer to such range improvements, identified by project number, indicating the subdivisions appropriated by reason of the improvement. Should the range improvement no longer be of value, a final abandonment report should be submitted with the field report. Should the range improvement have any practical value, the Regional Administrator shall report whether the application may be allowed, notwithstanding such improvement, and if so, with or without reservation. The following is a sample form of reservation that may be used in connection with the approval of such application:

"There is reserved to the United States the range improvement project, Number consisting of a range division line fence constructed along the east and south lines of the \mathbb{E}_2^1 Section 33, T. 35 N., R. 109 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, together with the right of ingress and egress to the lands as necessary for the proper maintenance of said fence as long as it exists in present location."

Rarely, if at all, will water developments be reserved. Successful land-treatment improvements such as reseeding projects which have increased the production capacity of the land should also be taken into account in classifying such lands for disposal. Generally, in some instances, sufficient additional consideration will be demanded to satisfy the Government interest before an application will be considered for approval. The Regional Administrator should refer such applications to the Regional Chief, Division of Range Management and such other officials as necessary to insure in each case that the interest of the Government is adequately safeguarded.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 129-PATENTS

ISSUANCE OF PATENTS

The following is added to Section 129.4 of the Manual:

The land descriptions in public land patents shall conform to the style of such descriptions used in Executive orders and Public land orders.

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CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS TITLE 43--PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR CHAPTER I-BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 50--ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE SUBPART C--DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DELEGATIONS TO CHIEFS OF DIVISIONS AND CHIEFS OF SUBDIVISIONS OF DIVISIONS

Section 50.353 is hereby amended by adding the following:

(5) Issuance of orders for patents, based on applications embracing lands in private land claims which have been confirmed by statute or court decree.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

ORDER NO. 380

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Officials of the Bureau of Land Management authorized to issue travel orders, may authorize a per diem allowance, not to exceed the following rates, in lieu of subsistence expenses. See BLM Manual 163.1 and the Standardized Government Travel Regulations.

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| | United States | Alaska |
| Travel other than on vessels or privately owned trailer | \$6.00 | \$8.00 |
| Travel by privately owned trailer, use of which must be authorized in advance | _ a / | _a/ |
| Travel on vessels where the price of passage includes meals | 3.50 | 3.50 |
| Travel on vessels where the price of passage does not include meals | 7.00 | 7.00 |
| Rate to be set commensurate with cost of subsistence by this mode of travel but not to exceed the maximum for the area. | | |

In accordance with paragraph 47(a) of the Standardized Government Travel Regulations, one-fifth of the per diem rate authorized will be deducted for each meal and/or lodgings furnished without charge by the Government.

The foregoing per diem rates represent the maximum that may be allowed by the authorized official, not the minimum. It is the responsibility of such official to see that travel orders authorized only such per diem rates as are justified by the nature of the travel.

This order supersedes Order No. 350 and all other previous instructions or orders in conflict herewith.

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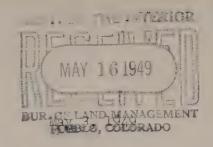
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| Travel other than on vessels or privately owned trailer | \$6.00 | \$8.00 | |
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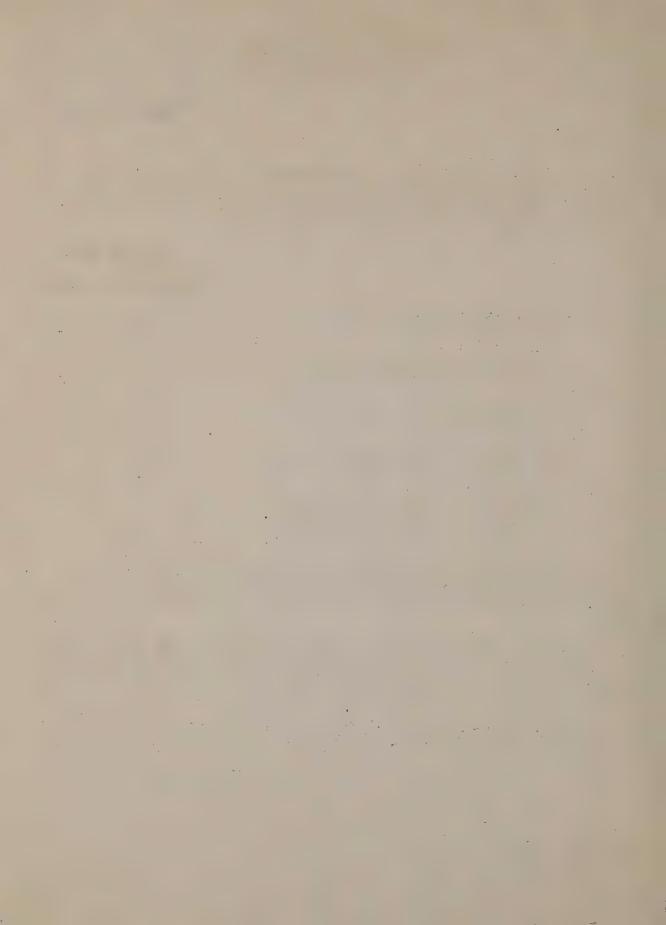
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(Sgd.) Marion Clawson

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Bureau of Land Management Washington 25, D. C.

ORDER NO. 381

May 10, 1949.

Effective Way 11, the stemographic pool which has been operated under the administrative supervision of the Division of Administration, is abolished.

All work new pending in the pool will be returned to the originating source for other distribution.

Employees of the pool will be distributed to the following units for assignment:

To the Division of Adjudication:

Miss Ruth Griffin

Riss Waverly Isler

Miss Edna Watson

Mrs. Norma Young

Mrs. Ethel Graham

Mrs. Agnes Eichelberger

Miss Georgia Tannshill

Miss Rae Robins

Miss Hannah McGlynn

Mrs. Catherine Dorsey

Mrs. Effie Tripp

John A. Horsey

Miss Mary Jane Kirby

Miss Mary Barrett

Mrs. Yvonne Hansborough

Miss Frances Betters

Miss Gwendelyn Baker

Henry D. Billings

To the Division of Administration:

Mrs. Gloria Rodrigues

Mrs. Florence Boyer

Mrs. Geraldine Dawkins

Miss Lorraine Waters

A meeting will be held with employees of the stenographic pool immediately, at which time they will be notified of their immediate supervisor and the room to which they will be assigned. Typewriters and other equipment will be distributed in general accordance with the move.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 81

GRAZING DISTRICT AND REGIONAL OFFICE PROCEDURE

ANNUAL GRAZING STATISTICAL REPORT FOR GRAZING DISTRICTS

- Form h-11) should be reported in accordance with the following introduces:

 (1) Credited Wis Statulet, Report the United manhant of columns at boxes Mi, Mi, and Mi, report the United manhant of stack covered by regular permits that obtained all of their use of Federal range in this district including Worse lives and that trailing in from other districts, and those that obtained some of their forage in other Descripts but which he appears to be credited to this district. In the AlM's color report the total amount of forage authorized to these livestock in this district only.
- (2) Free Use Permits: Record the total number of livestock covered by free use incluses or permits in the district in the tember column and in the AUM's column the AUMs of forage these livestock obtain from the Federal range in this district.
- (3) Growing Fermites havere in the mater column to number of livestock covered by crossing parmits issued to stocken who have no maker
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Trailing Permits: In the "number" column report the numbers of that trail across this district. These livestock are already gular license or permit in this district or another district.

M's column, report the AUMs of forage obtained by these livethe Federal range in this district only.

- (7) Total Obligation under remit: In the "maxer" column, total lines L. 5 and 6. In the Author column, lines L. 2, 3, 5 and 6.
- (6) Exchange of Use larmit: Record the number of livestock using Federal range in this district on an exchange use permit which is based on the grazing capacity of unfemced private land situated in the range area owned or controlled by the holder of the exchange of use permit. In the AUMs column, record the AUMs of grazing use of such livestock.
- (9) Actually Grazed Under Permits: In the "number" column, total lines he and 6 and sur in the from this total known non-use. In the AUGs column, total lines 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8; and subtract from this total known non-use. Do not include trespass use.
- (10) In Prespass: In the "number" column, report the number of live stock that were grazed in excess of allowance by license or permit and those that were grazed by non-licensees or non-permittees. This also includes numbers of wild horses not under license or permit. In the AUM's column, report the AUMs of forage obtained by livestock in all forms of trespass, including that by excess numbers, excessive time, and unpermitted livestock.
- (11) Actual Use Total: This total is the sum of lines 9 and 10.
- (12) Total Number of Investock of all Glasses Actually Granals This is the total of the muliers of livesbock reported in line 11, columns 21, 22, and 24. "All/s of foreign required" is the sum of the totals of All/s reported in line 11, columns 21, 22, 23, and 24.
- (13) Estimated Corrying Capacity in some of All Lands Under Cor Identification in Grazing Describes Available for Livestocks This estimates has been administrative mon, or any combination of these estimates. The primary objective is to obtain and report as accurate an estimate as possible.

for Livestock: The estimated grazing capacity available for live atoms should be the sum of the grazing capacity of all lands shown in column 78 minus the amount reported as available and/or a signed for big game use.

For Big Game: Order this beading report the AVMs or torage on lands order our administration in the district that is stimurily subbulle and or that is set aside for the use of big game. This buy he core or less that the estimuted AVMs of use use by big game as shown on line II in column.

(14)* Number Individual Ferrittees: Emport the number of individual per-



- grazing of 700 catile, 50 horses in the invidual perun line 14, column 27, should equal the number of permittees
 are reported in lines 1, 2 and 3. The permittees owning
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- (15)* Credited this District, number of Reculer Termits: Topsel to the cumber of regular permits issued in the credit, forses, thesp or get and in accordance with the predominant class of livestock covered to the livestock was recorded in line 1 shows. Then, a sent regular paid licenses or permits and not number of licenses or partitions.
- (16)* Number Free Use Licenses or Permits. Report the number of free mod licenses or permits for which livestock was removied in line 2 by clarate of livestock and record the total of such free use licenses or permits in column time.
- (17)* Number Crossing Permits. Record the number of erosaing parmits for and livestock was recorded in line 3 by class of livestock and record the total in column 26.

The total of column 26, lines 15, 15, and 17, rould be recorded in column 27, line 17. This total does not necessarily equal number of all permittees reported in line 14, column 27.

- (10)* Credited Other Districts, Number Inter-District Permits Resulting Manual of Licenses or permits on the same basis as in line 15, but only for the livestock recorded in line 5.
- (19)* Number Trailing Farmis: Record the number of trailing resmits and the livestock recorded in lane 6. Line 19, column 27 should stom the total of column 26, lines 18 and 19.
- (20)* Number Exchange of Use Permits: Record the number of this type partite in the respective livestock class column showing the total number issued to the space provided, column 27, line 20.
- (21) Under Ten Year Fermits: Record the actual number of ten year permits in effect in the class column, Cattle, Horses, Sheep or Cost column, in an arms with the predominant class of livestock covered in the permit.
- (25) Big Game: Record the number of the various his game animals and the estimated numbers of AUMs of forage obtained by them from lands under our ministration in this district. Where different species occur, such as multideer and white-tail deer, report them separately.
- (28) Lands Date and Carrying Gaussity is AUNs of Lands In Christian Districts under Administration by the surest of Land Managements (Former For Mr. 19)

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Present and Usable (Arres). Present and usable acreage represents the gross acres less value land and lands inaccessible to livestock or bug game animals.

Carrying Capacity Addis. Record the estimated carrying capacity in Addis

«Note - Facept on line 21, the word "permits" includes all licenses issued, such as free use licenses or exchange of use licenses.

(Sgd) Marion Clawson Director.







UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON 25. D. C.

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ORDER NO. 383

Subject: Maintenance of public land records on unsurveyed lands in Alaska.

The reference record on all public land transactions now maintained by the Branch of Land Status on unsurveyed land in the Territory of Alaska shall be discontinued. The Division of Engineering will be responsible for maintaining an adequate record of all such transactions.

All cases, including Presidential Proclamations, and Executive Orders, Public Land and other orders requiring posting and/or status action on both the surveyed and unsurveyed lands in Alaska, shall be routed through the Branch of Land Status to the Division of Engineering.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

MAY 11 1949

ORDER NO. 384

Subject: Tract book notations.

The practice of making tract book notations after each subdivision of public land listed in Executive Orders, public land and other orders which merely involves a transfer of public land from one administrative unit to another of the same type, shall be discontinued. However, a reference to such "Orders" shall be noted at the head of the township tract book sheets. For example:

"P.L.O. #176, dated 2/7/49, transfers land from Nezperce N.F. to Clearwater N.F. and from Clearwater to Nezperce." or

"D.O. #521, dated 3/12/49, transfers land from Grazing Dist. #1 to Grazing Dist. #2."

All "Orders" of withdrawals, revocations, amendments, transfers of land from the jurisdiction of one Federal agency to the jurisdiction of another, etc., shall be noted as in the past.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Washington 25, D. C.

ORDER NO. 385

MAY 19, 1949.

The draft of an order is pending which would delegate authority to the Regional Administrators to act in the following classes of matters:

1. Private exchanges, section 8, Taylor Grazing Act.

2. 0. & C. exchanges where the value of the selected lands does not exceed \$50,000.

3. In addition to non-competitive oil and gas leases, all other oil and gas leases under the act of February 25, 1920, as amended, and unit plans.

4. Easements, section 29, mineral leasing act.

- 5. Coal permits and leases under mineral leasing act of February 25, 1920.
- 6. Coal permits and leases (Alaska), under the act of October 20, 1914, as amended.
- 7. Air navigation site withdrawals and restorations.
- 8. Stock driveway withdrawals and restorations.

9. Airport leases.

- 10. Color of title and riparian claims.
- 11. Town site and town lot sales, except in reclamation projects.
- 12. Preparation of orders authorizing the filing of approved plats of survey.

Effective June 1, 1919, the Managers will discontinue sending to the Washington Office for examination and other action the originals of applications, entries, proofs, and other papers filed in the classes of matters listed above. Procedures and monographs covering these matters will be supplied to the various local offices at an early date. Additional evidence, showing or other papers, except appeals, filed in a non-adjudicating office after June 1, 1919, as a result of decisions rendered by the Washington Office will be forwarded to the proper adjudicating office and held until the records are received from the Washington office, at which time such papers should be attached to the records for appropriate action. Appeals will be forwarded to the Washington Office. The records of the pending cases now in the Washington Office will be forwarded to the appropriate adjudicating offices prior to July 1, 1919.

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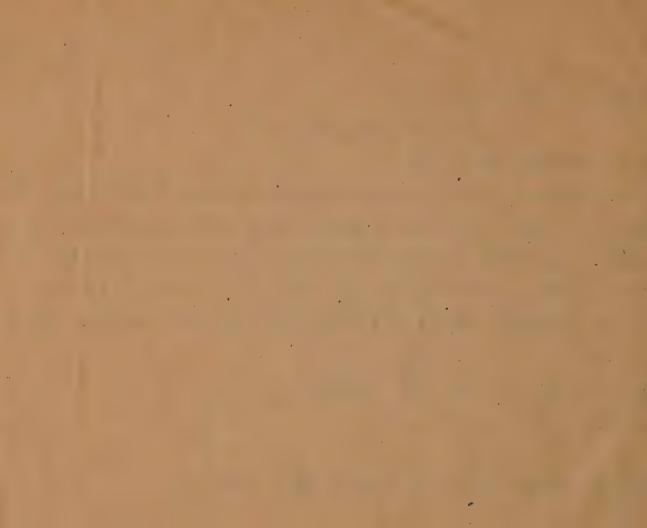
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THE FOLLOWING TELETYPE HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON QUOTE--ORDER 385 OF MAY 19 1945 AND MODIFICATION OF SEPTEMBER 22 1949 HEREBY REVOKED. ALL PAPERS NOW HELD IN DISTRICT LAND OFFICES IN CLASSES OF MATTERS LISTED IN ORDER 385 AND ALL CASES OF THE TYPES LISTED NOW IN DISTRICT OFFICES SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON OFFICE. UNQUOTE

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 2--ADMINISTRATION

MANUAL CHANGES

The following part is added:

1. Responsibility for preparation of material to be included in the Manual.

Effective immediately each division is responsible for the preparation of all Manual changes covering matters within its area of responsibility. Such changes are usually made necessary because of new regulations or revision, amendment or revocation of existing regulations, orders affecting organization changes, procedural changes, delegations of authority and similar material.

Manual changes will be prepared as orders of the Director for the purpose of insuring insertion in the Manual. Orders will be routed through the Branch of Management Planning, Division of Administration, for the purpose of coordination, clearance, numbering, publication and distribution.

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Washington 25, D. C.

June 7, 1949

MEMORANDUM

To:

All Manual Holders

From .

Chief, Division of Administration

Subject: BLM Order 387

Order 387, creating Part 1--Organization, revoked the pages identified in the BLM Manual by Roman Numerals XXI to XXXII, inclusive, under General Organization Functions of the Bureau of Land Management. These pages should be removed from the Manual.

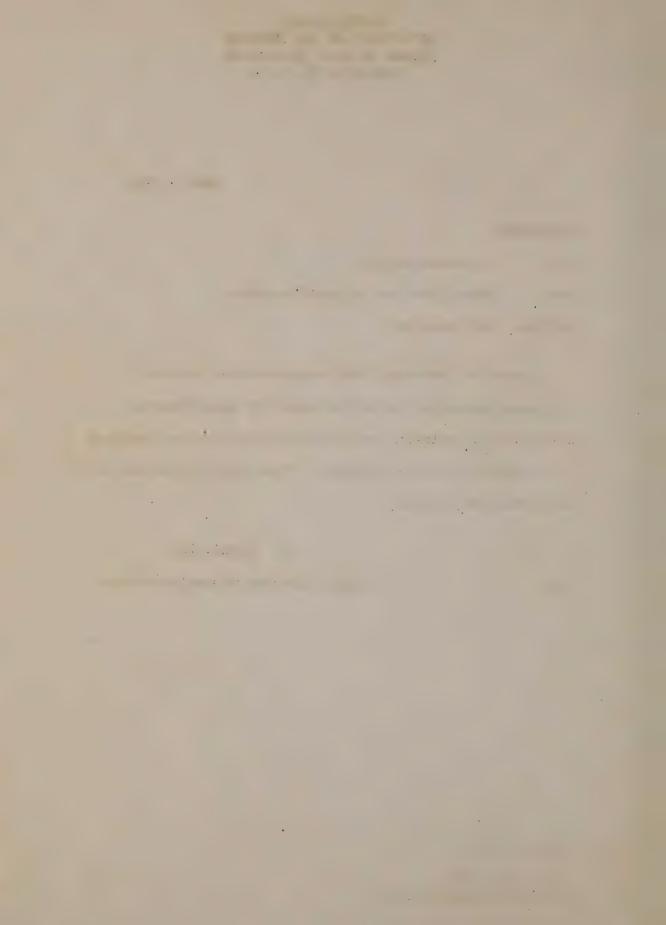
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The pages identified by Roman numbers XXI to XXXII, inclusive, under General Organization Functions of the Bureau of Land Management, are hereby revoked.

The following part is added:

PART 1--ORGANIZATION

ORGANIZATION UNITS

- 1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to outline the major organization units of the Bureau of Land Management in Washington and the field, and to describe their responsibilities and relationships.
- 2. Units. The Bureau of Land Management consists of the following major units:
 - A. Washington Office:
 - 1) Office of the Director
 - 2) Division of Administration
 - 3) Division of Land Planning
 - 4) Division of Range Management
 - 5) Division of Cadastral Engineering
 - 6) Division of Adjudication
 - 7) Division of Forestry

See Organization Chart of the Bureau in Section 4.

- B. Field Organization:
 - 1) Regional Offices
 - 2) District Offices
- 3. Functions. The functions of the various organizational units are as follows:

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The Director and Associate Director are responsible for the over-all supervision of the Bureau in Washington and the field and for the development of long range programs designed for the proper management and conservation of the public domain.

Office of the Chief Counsel

This office reviews and advises on all legal matters affecting the Bureau including legislation and regulations.

Information Officer

He is responsible for carrying out the information program of the Bureau.

Division of Adjudication

Handles matters relating to adjudication. Recommends policies, standards and methods to be used in the adjudication of applications for the use and disposal of the public domain, coordinates procedures and handles appeals and requests for instructions from field offices.

Branch of Land Use and Disposal:

This branch adjudicates all types of applications for the use of the public land culminating in the issuance of patents, except mineral patents, granting of fee titles, granting of leases, permits, etc., on all those matters which are not delegated to the field. This branch recommends policies and standards for use in adjudication work.

Branch of Minerals:

This branch handles all matters arising under the mining and mineral leasing laws, such as applications for oil and gas and other mineral leases not delegated to the field. This branch also recommends standards and policies to be used in adjudicating this type of case.

Division of Administration

The Division of Administration handles matters relating to the budget, finance, personnel, management planning and general administrative services. It is responsible for the coordination of all housekeeping activities of the Bureau.

Branch of Personnel:

This branch is responsible for developing and supervising a program of personnel administration including classification, job standards, recruitment, training, placement, personnel utilization, etc.

Branch of Management Planning:

This branch develops and coordinates programs of organization, procedures, methods and practice studies aimed toward a more effective and efficient organization.

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Branch of Administrative Services:

This branch is responsible for procurement, property, communications, space, duplication, etc.

Branch of Budget and Finance:

This branch is responsible for developing and supervising all budget and finance operations and for executing a system of budgetary administration. Supervises the expenditures of funds, collection of funds, the keeping of accounts and fiscal work.

Branch of Records:

This branch is responsible for planning, coordinating, and operating a long-range program covering all basic land records of the Bureau.

Division of Cadastral Engineering

This Division is responsible for developing policies, programs, standards, and technical procedures with respect to surveying and resurveying the public lands.

Branch of Surveys:

This branch approves the technical instructions providing for survey procedures; maintains a drafting force to handle the drafting work of the Bureau; approves and accepts for the permanent record all types of cadastral surveys and resurveys; and is the official custodian of the official plats and field notes of all cadastral surveys executed by the Bureau in the United States and Alaska.

Division of Forestry

This Division is responsible for developing policies, programs, standards and procedures for the conservation, management, protection, utilization and disposal of forest and woodland resources on the public domain and the O. and C. lands and for the protection from fire of the range resources, on the public domain.

Branch of Forest Management.

This branch is responsible for the development and execution of plans and programs for all phases of management of the forest resources on the public domain and 0. and C. lands including inventories, appraisals, sustained-yield, and disposals by sale and exchange.

Branch of Forest Protection:

This branch is responsible for the development and execution of plans and programs for the protection of all vegetative resources of the public domain and 0. and C. lands from fire, and for the protection of forest resources on such lands from insects, diseases and trespass. It administers force account protection from fire within grazing districts and on the public domain in Alaska.

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The branch reviews agreements and contracts with other public and private agencies for protection of all vegetative resources from fire and for the protection of forest resources from insects and diseases.

Division of Land Planning

This division is responsible for developing general and specific public land management programs and policies; establishing technical standards and procedures; and conducting economic and statistical research.

Branch of Research:

This branch is responsible for conducting economic and statistical research of the public domain for use in policy and program determinations and administrative actions.

Branch of Land Classification:

This branch is responsible for formulation of broad land classification policies and programs; and establishing land classification technical standards and procedures.

Division of Range Management

This division is responsible for developing policies, programs, standards, and procedures for the orderly use, development and improvement of the public grazing lands within and outside of grazing districts.

Branch of Grazing Supervision and Survey:

This branch is responsible for the supervision and control of grazing uses of the public land, correlation of this with other programs, the conduct of resource surveys and studies, formulation and placing in effect of range management plans, and the planning and conduct of range improvement programs.

Branch of Soil and Moisture Conservation:

This branch is responsible for the planning and coordination of the work of the regions in conducting the soil and moisture conservation program designed to rehabilitate damaged range areas, thereby reducing erosion of the soil and water losses.

Field Organization

The Regional Administrator is responsible for developing long-range programs for the proper conservation and utilization of the land and its resources in his region. The divisions in the regions have generally the same relationship to the Regional Administrator as the divisions in Washington have to the Director, and thus act as technical staff offices. These divisions do not exercise supervision over the district offices. The actual operating activities of the Bureau are for the most part conducted in the various district offices. These offices report directly to the Regional Administrator. There are four specialized types of field functions which may or may not be in separate offices broken down as follows: Public Survey Office, District Land Office, District Grazing Office, District Forestry Office.

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The actual Land Management functions in the regions are broken down by areas with responsibility for all land management centered in the Manager of that District Office. Assistance is rendered as needed in the specialized management and disposal problems, by the regional office. In most cases these offices are District Grazing offices, or District Forest offices. In one or two public land states where the work is so widely scattered that there are no grazing or forest districts, the District Lend Office carries all management responsibilities as well as record responsibilities.

The District Land Office and District Survey Office are primarily offices of record.

Any or all of the 4 types of offices may be combined, the most frequent combinations being land and survey or record offices and Grazing and Forestry offices.

Public Survey Office:

This office is under the supervision of an office cadastral engineer. The office maintains the plat end field-note record of the public land surveys, including mineral surveys; makes the record available to the public; prepares the special instructions for cadastral engineering work; and also prepares the returns of surveys in final form for transmittal to the Director for approval and acceptance.

District Land Office:

Each District Land Office is under the supervision of a Manager. These offices are responsible for receiving all applications and certain fees and rentals. These offices act on all decentralized applications for use and disposal of the public domain up to the point of issuance of patent.

District Grazing Office:

This office is under the supervision of a Range Manager who is responsible for all phases of land administration within his area of jurisdiction, including receiving and acting upon applications filed by the public for grazing permits, leases, free use permits, etc. The offices are responsible for devising basic plans for the utilization and improvements of the land in their districts and for the execution of such plans.

Forestry Office:

This office is under the supervision of a District Forester and is responsible for the administration of the timber on the public domain and includes such activities as timber sales, land classification, forestry, range administration, etc., in the area to which he is assigned. The District Forester is also responsible for developing long term and short term programs for the land management and administration of their areas of responsibility.

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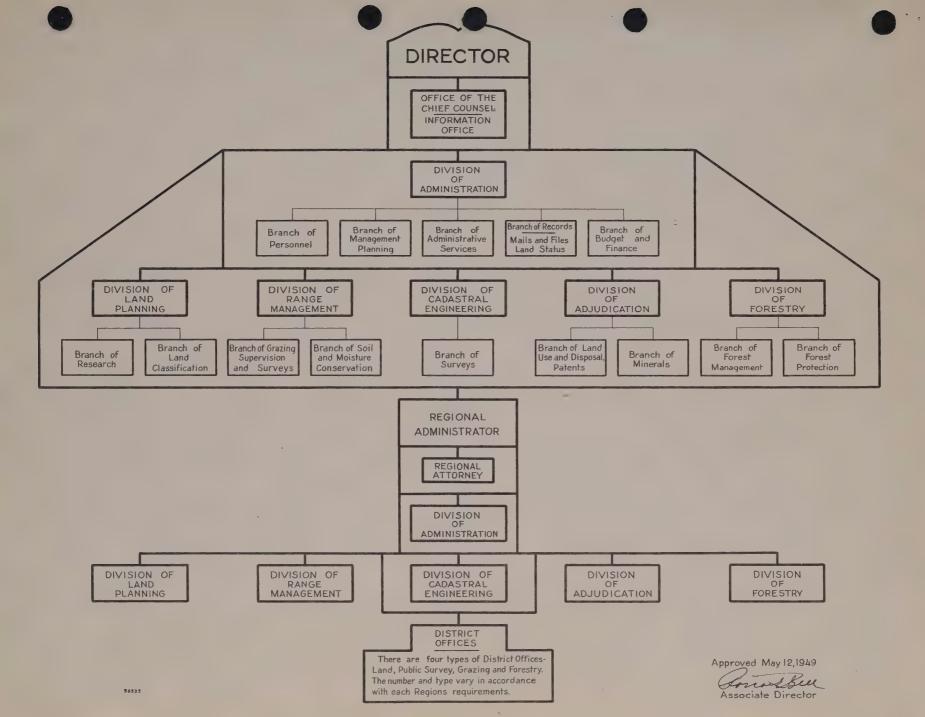
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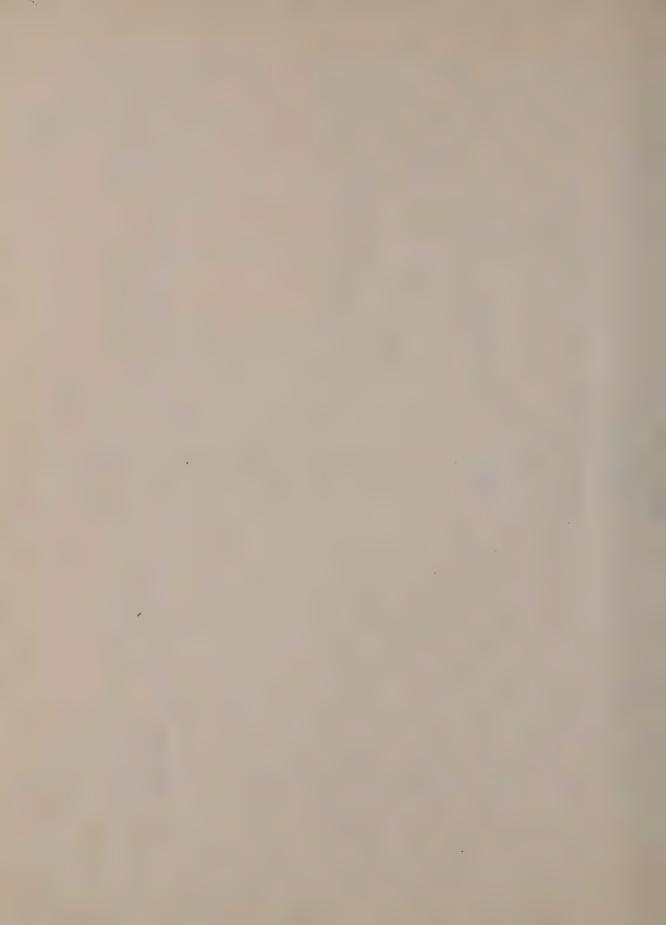
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UNITED STATES
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Bureau of Land Management
Washington, D. C.

ORDER NO. 388

June 15, 1949.

Participants in the Squam Rutte conference to be held in July 1949 will receive normal per diem rates for travel periods from their head-quarters to the conference and return. However, during the period at Squam Butte it has been administratively determined that per diem at the reduced rate of 55 will be allowed in lieu of subsistence and no deduction will be made for such quarters as are provided. This rate has been computed on the basis that the cost of meals to an individual will be semewhat in excess of \$5 plus a reasonable allowance for laundry and miscellaneous items.

A private mess will be conducted at the Station for the duration of the mooting at which participants will be assessed a proportionate cost. They will be quariered in Government buildings or in tents provided by the Government but each participant must furnish his own bedding.

In order that no exception or deduction may be taken on post-audit to the amount allowed each participant, travel orders shall clearly indicate the above per diem rates and conditions.

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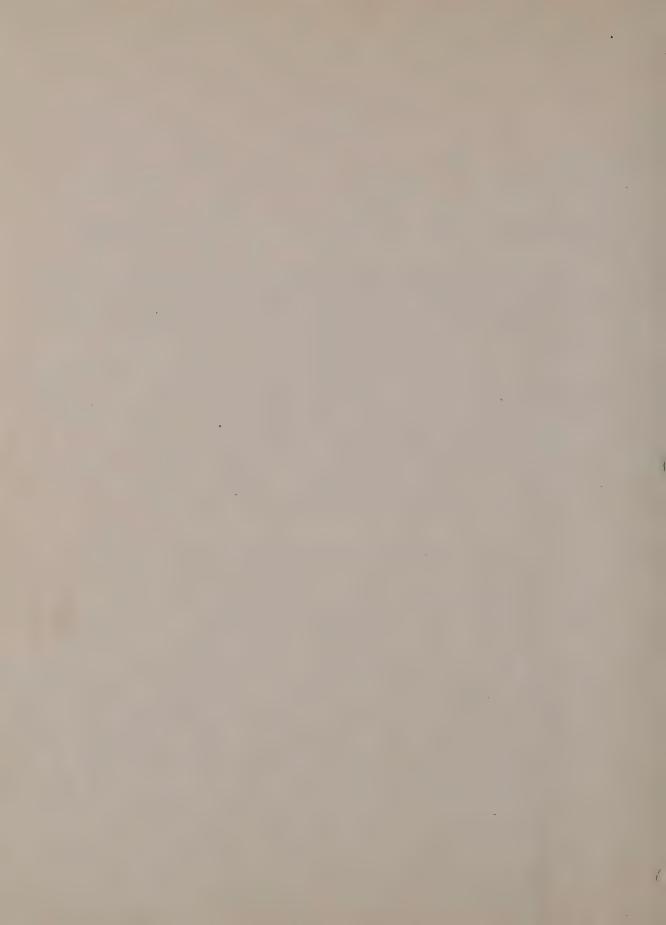
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Beginning on August 1, 1949, the serial numbering in the following offices will begin with 01 preceded by the name of the State, rather than the city, in which the office is situated:

Present Name

Name after August 1

Salt Lake City

Utah

Phoenix

Arizona

Spokane

Washington

Cases numbered before August 1 will retain the number and designation previously assigned to them.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Part 57

57.150

Section 57.130 is amended to read as follows:

57.130 Responsibility of Bureau of Land Management and of the managers, in connection with withdrawals to be prepared in Washington. (a) Upon receipt of a request for a withdrawal of land, including reclamation withdrawals, the Division of Adjudication will prepare an acknowledgement, obtain status, request reports when necessary from the Geological Survey and the Federal Power Commission, prepare a memorandum to the manager of the appropriate district land office informing him of the request, and transmit the entire case record to the Division of Land Planning. Later, when the case record has been returned to the Division of Adjudication, it will prepare an appropriate withdrawal order and the accompanying memoranda and letters, and thereafter process the case to conclusion.

- (b) Upon the receipt of the record in the Division of Land Planning, that Division will clear the proposed withdrawal with any other interested Federal agency, request a report from the regional administrator, and after receipt of the field report, clear the case with the Director's office where policy determinations are required. Thereafter, the case will be referred to the Division of Adjudication for further processing.
- (c) The manager, upon receipt of notice of the proposed withdrawal, will suspend all applications to enter or lease the lands, the allowance of which is discretionary, list any oil and gas leases which would be affected by the withdrawal, and prepare notices on form 4-243 to such lessees, except as to the insertion of the number and date of the order. The reasons for these notices are set forth in section 99.86 of this Manual. Upon advice that the withdrawal order has been signed, the manager will at once insert the number, if any, and date of the order in the notices, and send the notices by registered mail to the oil and gas lessees. He will also reject all suspended applications to enter or lease the lands except those which are not affected by the withdrawal, or take other appropriate action such as indicated in section 99.85 of this Manual.

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- (d) Upon receipt of notice of the proposed withdrawal, the regional administrator will determine (1) if there are any conflicts with any programs of the Bureau of Land Management, (2) if the land is suitable for the purpose for which it is to be withdrawn, (3) if all of the lands to be withdrawn will actually be needed by the agency requesting the withdrawal, and (4) if there are suitable alternate areas in case there is a conflict with a program of the Bureau of Land Management. The regional administrator will endeavor to reconcile any differences with the field representatives of the agency requesting the withdrawal. When time will not permit obtaining the detailed information for the recommendations, the regional administrator will make his recommendations from the best information available. The basis upon which he is making his recommendations should be indicated. The report and recommendations of the regional administrator will be sent as promptly as possible to the Division of Land Planning and the case record, if transmitted to him, will be returned therewith. In Regions III, V, and VI, where the lands are under the direct jurisdiction of the regional administrator, he will take the actions indicated in paragraph (c).
- (e) If the request for withdrawal is denied, the regional administrator and the manager will be advised and appropriate action will then be taken on the suspended applications.

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 Section 57.131 is amended to read as follows:
- 57.131 Responsibility in connection with restorations. (a) Upon receipt of a request for revocation of a withdrawal, the Division of Adjudication will prepare an acknowledgement and, unless the lands will remain in another specific withdrawal, it will refer the record to the Division of Land Planning. The Division of Adjudication will, without reference to the Division of Land Planning, handle those cases where the lands will remain in another withdrawal, After the return of the records from the Division of Land Planning in other cases, the Division of Adjudication will process such cases to their conclusion.
- (b) The Division of Land Planning will refer the restoration cases to the regional administrator for report, and upon receipt of report will transmit the case record with its recommendations to the Division of Adjudication for further handling.
- (c) Upon receipt of a request for restoration, the regional administrator will have the land classified as to its use suitability. If he recommends that the lands should be disposed of he will include in his recommendation the suggested types of disposal which appear

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feasible and the appraised value of the land. If he recommends that the lands should be retained in public ownership he will suggest the type of management and the agency which he recommedns to administer the land. The regional administrator will return the case record with a copy of his classification report to the Division of Land Planning. He will also take steps to place his recommendations into effect immediately after the lands are restored from the withdrawal.

(BLM. Duder 391 7/15/49)

Section 57.132 is amended to read as follows:

57.132 Statement as to character and classification of lands to be made in orders. Except in Alaska, orders restoring or opening lands where complete or tentative classification has been made will contain a statement showing the character of the land with respect to its highest and best use and that while any application that is filed will be considered on its merits with a view to a possible reclassification of the land, the likelihood that any substantial part of the restored (or opened) land is susceptible of a different use which is higher than indicated in the order is remote.

In the case of public lands in Alaska, the following statement, when appropriate, will be made in the order of restoration or opening, immediately following the description of the lands:

"No application for these lands may be allowed under the Small Tract Act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609: 43 U.S.C. 682a), unless the land has already been classified as valuable or suitable for such type of application or shall be so classified upon consideration of an application.

16. 6.M. Order 391 7/15/47) A new section is addes as follows:

57.133 Place in orders of restoration or opening for description of land. The land descriptions will be placed near the commencement of all orders of restoration or opening. Form 4-182 will be used for all such orders, and Form 4-353 will be used for notices of the filing of plats. Any gap in the reading matter between the end of the land description and the beginning of the printed page following will be filled in with ink lines in the form of a "Z". Where the insertion of an additional page is necessary, because of a lengthy description. that page will be given the number of the preceding page, followed by the letter "a".

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

July 22, 1949

ORDER NO. 392

MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 231--TRESPASS

CHARGES FOR UNAUTHORIZED USE AND OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC LANDS

- 231.5. General rule of damages. The rule of damages to be applied in cases of trespass on the public lands should be based on the measure of damages prescribed by the laws of the State in which the trespass is committed. (43 CFR 288.1). In the absence of a State law, the following rules should be observed in the computation of charges due for the unauthorized use and occupancy of public lands:
- 231.6. Unauthorized occupancy for homesite purposes only. For the unauthorized occupancy of public land for homesite purposes only, the charge should be computed on the basis of the reasonable value of the occupancy of the land. The charge should be computed from the date that notice, written or oral, shall have been given, by a representative of the Government, to the occupant that his occupancy of the land is unauthorized and constitutes a trespass.
- 231.7. Unauthorized occupancy for business purposes. For the unauthorized use and occupancy of public land for business purposes, or for business and residential purposes combined, the charge should be based on the schedule of charges prescribed for the use of public lands for business purposes. The schedule is as follows:

One per cent per annum of the first \$5,000 gross income, but not less than \$20 a year; One-half per cent of the gross income between \$5,000 and \$15,000: One-fourth per cent of the gross income over \$15,000.

The charge should be computed from the date that the land was first withdrawn if the use began prior thereto. If the use began subsequent to the withdrawal, the charge should be computed from the date that the use began.

231.8. Unauthorized agricultural use. For the unauthorized use of public land for agricultural purposes, the charge should be based on the reasonable value of the use that is made of the land as determined en de france de la personal de la companya de la terra de la persona de la persona de la persona de la persona La esta de la persona de l

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on the basis of the agricultural rental value of privately-owned lands similar to and in the vicinity of the public land. The agricultural rental value is based generally upon either an annual rental charge per acre or upon a share of the crop production or of the profits realized therefrom. The charge should be computed from the date that the land was first withdrawn if the use began prior thereto. If the use began subsequent to the withdrawal, the charge should be computed from the date that the use began.

231.9. Unauthorized grazing use. For the unauthorized grazing use of public land, either within or outside a grazing district or in a stock driveway, the charge should be based on the amount and the value of the forage consumed. The value of the forage consumed should be based generally on the commercial rate charged customarily in the locality, or other reasonable geographical area, for similar forage. For the unauthorized grazing use of public land withdrawn for a stock driveway, the charge should be computed from the date of the stock driveway withdrawal if the use began prior thereto. If the use began subsequent to the withdrawal, the charge should be computed from the date the use began. For the unauthorized grazing use of vacant public land outside a grazing district or a stock driveway, the charge should be computed from the date that the person so using such land is notified that his use is unauthorized and that the grazing use of public land is no longer unrestricted but is controlled by the Taylor Grazing Act and the regulations issued thereunder. Administrative expenses involved in the discovery and proof of the trespass may not be included in the trespass charge. (Chief Counsel's opinion of May 23, 1947. Grazing memorandum M-71 of December 28, 1945. Jonce B. Eccles, A-24580, April 4, 1947. Posvar v. Borland, A-24403, April 21, 1947. Evarista McCormick Conner, A-24406, October 10, 1947. Jane M. Sendoz, A-24641/24638, October 28, 1947).

231.10. Damage to land or other property. In any unauthorized use and occupancy of public land, if the land or other Government property is injured or destroyed as a result of the trespass, a sufficient amount should be included in the trespass charge to cover the actual damages thereto.

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Approved by Under Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman, by Memorandum dated July 22, 1949

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Subject: Change in Location of Public Survey Office in Ventana

It is hereby ordered that, effective at the close of business on July 29, 1949, the location of the United States
Public Survey Office in Nontana shall be changed from Helena to
Billings.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Order No. 394

Effective August 1, 1949, the serial numbering in the District Land Office for the State of Montana will begin with 01 preceded by the name of the State rather than the City in which the office is situated.

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Cases numbered before August 1 will retain the number and designation previously assigned to them.

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Order No. 395

PROCEDURE

ADJUDICATING APPLICATIONS FOR NONCOMPETITIVE OIL AND GAS LEASES UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE ACT OF FEBRUARY 25, 1920, AS AMENDED

Sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph 21 of the Procedure for Adjudicating Applications for non-competitive oil and gas leases under section 17 of the act of February 25, 1920, as amended, dated September 13, 1948, is amended to read as follows:

> (c) No protest to lease issuance has been made; the lease forms in quintuplicate, or more copies if some other governmental agency in addition to the Geological Survey is interested, will be prepared by the Manager, and all of the copies accompanied by a bond form if a bond is required, will be transmitted to the applicant for execution.

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Memorandum

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To:

Director

From:

Chief, Division of Adjudication

Subject: Proposed Orders

The attached proposed orders would revoke and amend certain sections in the Manual in order to effect improvements in procedures - (1) by eliminating the preparation of a decision accepting withdrawals of applications; and (2) by abolishing the use of a transmittal letter for the transmission of decisions of this office to interested parties.

Section 45.107 is abolished because the new handbook eliminates the use of the word "Esquire" in addressing attorneys at law. Since the handbook contains full and complete information with respect to titles of attorneys, it does not appear necessary to have a Manual revision on the subject, especially since all other professions and official titles are not covered in the Manual.

There is also attached a memorandum to Regional Administrators and the Division of Adjudication eliminating the use of the closing case decision. No Manual section has been drafted to take care of this action since there is no section in the Manual except Section 240.2, relating to withdrawals of applications (being revoked) covering the subject, and as this action would eliminate the decision entirely, it seems useless to burden the Manual with the purely negative language necessary.

Chief, Division of Adjudication.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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DISTRICT LAND OFFICE PROCEDURE

Section 240.1 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 240.1 Action by Manager on withdrawal of application: When filing fee should be returned. When a withdrawal of all or part of any pending application is filed the Manager will close the case upon his records to the extent of the withdrawal. If the withdrawn application is for a mineral lease, permit, or license, notice of the withdrawal should be transmitted to the Geological Survey, Washington, D. C. Filing fees should be applied or refunded in accordance with the instructions applicable to the particular type of application. Notice to an applicant of the acceptance of the withdrawal will not be required.

Section 240.2 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual is revoked.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 48--DECISIONS

WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE

DECISIONS OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Section 48.12 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual is amended by eliminating therefrom the third paragraph which requires decisions of the Washington Office to be accompanied by a transmittal letter.

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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 45--CORRESPONDENCE

WASHINGTON OFFICE PROCEDURE

PREPARATION AND HANDLING OF CORRESPONDENCE

Section 45.107 of the Bureau of Land Management Manual entitled "Lawyers to be addressed with title 'Esquire'" is revoked.

Associate Director





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MANUAL OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PART 18--APPEALS

Title Change. The center head over section 18.51 is hereby changed to "General Instructions," and a new section is added as follows:

Secretary. In all cases where an appeal is pending either before the Director or the Secretary, any papers filed in a local office by the party concerned should be immediately transmitted to the Washington office with a statement as to the status of the case, and no action should be taken by the local office while such an appeal is pending, except that where the application involved is withdrawn or the entry involved is relinquished the withdrawal or relinquishment may be noted on the record, and the application rejected or the entry canceled, provided the local officer is authorized to accept the withdrawal or the relinquishment. 1/A reference to the pending appeal should be made when the withdrawal or relinquishment is transmitted to the Washington office.

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^{1/} In some cases, relinquishments and withdrawals must be sent to the Washington office before notation or acceptance. See 43 CFR 176.19 and 270.14.

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Order No. 400

Effective as of the date of the commencement of operations at Reno, Nevada, the serial numbering in the District Land Office for the State of Nevada, now referred to as the Nevada Land and Survey Office, will begin with Ol preceded by the name of the State rather than the City in which the office is situated.

Cases numbered before such effective date will retain the number and designation previously assigned to them.

Acting Director

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